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Beautiful Sanctuary of First Baptist Church, New Orleans

N.O. Church Closely Tied To Life, History of City

By J. D. Grey, Pastor,
First Baptist Church, New Orleans
1968 was a significant year. It commemorated the 250th Anniversary of the founding of the City of New Orleans. It also commemorated the 125th Anniversary of the founding of the First Baptist Church.
Founded by the French under Bienvenue in 1718, New Orleans came under the British in 1763. Returned to French rule in 1800, it was sold to the United States as part of the Louisiana Purchase in 1803. A dozen years passed before the Baptist witness was presented in an organized manner. The city was 90 years old when a Baptist church was organized. It is a long journey from that little handful of Baptists who organized the first church in 1817 to this present day when Baptists enjoy such a position of prestige in the Crescent City. In

1927 Baptists ranked sixth in number in New Orleans; in 1937 they were fifth; but in 1952 they became second in numerical strength, ranking second only to their Roman Catholic neighbors. Today they are still second.
The story of Baptist growth in "America's most interesting city" reads like a romance. Truly their progress can be described in the shall become a thousand and a small one a strong nation." Many have been the factors and many the forces that have helped bring about this unprecedented development. Withal, the blessings of God have attended every step of their progress.
The growth of Baptists from "a little one" in 1817 to their 70 churches with 40,746 members, plus 10 mission stations, today is indeed a thrilling story. It is the story of Baptist cooperation. In deed and in truth this Baptist building is "the house that cooperation built." It is the story of missionary giving by many outside the city and of missionary living by many inside the city. Every Baptist church, mission, and institution in New Orleans stands as a mighty monument to the cooperative spirit of Baptists in America!

The fourth oldest Baptist church in a permanent organization in 1843. Rev. Russell Holman came to New Orleans in 1842 as a missionary of the American Baptist Home Mission Society. He was a graduate of Brown University, a tactful and patient worker, and an earnest missionary. In the fall of 1843, Dr. Holman held a protracted meeting assisted by Evangelist T. J. Fisher of Kentucky. Through this effort and through earlier missionary labors, he succeeded in rallying a few of the scattered Baptists in the city. He led the group of ten white members into a permanent organization of the First Baptist Church of New Orleans on December 28, 1843 in a rented upper room at No. 66 Julia Street where the church met for worship until 1846. Missionary Holman became its first pastor.

Church Joined Association

The next year, 1844, the church joined the Mississippi River Association and reported 27 members. Assisting Holman and Fisher in organizing the church was William Minter of Grenada, Mississippi. At the organizational meeting on December 28, there were 13 Baptists present, but three of them failed to procure letters of dismission and their names were not enrolled. The church in April, 1844, called Rev. Isaac T. Hinton of

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Generation Gap Is Bridged At Meet

FORTH WORTH (BP) — About 25 students who took part in a National Consultation on Baptist Student Work here came away with the impression that Southern Baptist leaders are "real people" who can communicate and perhaps even bridge the generation gap.

This was the opinion of Jack Maguire, a 22-year-old student from Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, Ga., who was a vocal spokesman for student reaction to their 4½ days of elbow-rubbing with 250 adult leaders from all echelons of Southern Baptist life.

The occasion was a nation-wide dialogue session as part of a Southern Baptist depth study of Baptist stu-

dent work. The study, being conducted by a special committee appointed by the Southern Baptist Executive Committee, will make specific recommendations when the study is completed in time for a report to the 1970 Southern Baptist Convention in Denver.

Maguire, a past Baptist Student Union (BSU) president and future US-2 Missions volunteer, said, "At first, we couldn't figure out what we were doing here. Then we began to realize that these men were people we could communicate with — people who accepted our ideas seriously and thoughtfully."

Maguire, who presided effectively over one of the consultation sessions, said the students had decided to return to their campuses with news that the generation gap has been bridged—at least on one front — and that SBC types are "real people."

Consultation participants probed and brainstormed seven basic areas, which have already been the subject of 180 interviews, five research projects and 12 study papers.

Further winnowing of workbooks full of material will be continued by a 30-member subcommittee of the SBC Executive Committee in meetings in Nashville in June and November of this year. Final recommendations will be hammered out by the Executive Committee itself for presentation to the 1970 SBC.

The seven areas under consideration are the Christian college student; basic assumptions for conducting Baptist student work at campus, state and national levels; basic understanding of work on these three levels; campus problems; state problems; and national problems.

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Dr. Brooks Haynes, BMC Leader, Passes Away May 30

Funeral services were held Saturday, May 31, in Blue Mountain for Dr. Brooks Haynes, 55, who died early Friday morning on Blue Mountain College campus of a sudden heart attack.

A former Jackson business man, Dr. Haynes had served as chairman of the music department of Blue Mountain College since 1954.

He had also held the position of director of music at Wood Junior College in Mathiston.

He was band leader of the 101st Airborne Division, United States Army, and professor of music history at Cincinnati Conservatory earlier in

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Seminary Names New President

The Mississippi Baptist Seminary, in commencement exercises held Friday, May 30, at Sophia Sutton Mission Assembly near Prentiss, announced the election of a new president and awarded an honorary doctor's degree. Dr. T. B. Brown, currently seminary vice-president and pastor of Mt. Helm Baptist Church in Jackson, was named as president to succeed Dr. Wm P. Davis of Jackson, who will retire late in 1971.

Dr. Brown will become acting president effective Sept. 1, 1969, with his inauguration set for the commencement exercises to be held at the conclusion of the 1970-71 school year.

Dr. Davis is also director of the Department of Work With National Baptists of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board and had requested the election of a new president so that he could devote more time to the work of this department.

Dr. Brown is a graduate of Natchez College and also a graduate of Jackson State College with a B. S. degree.

He holds the M. S. degree from Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill. and the B. D. degree from New Orleans Baptist Seminary.

The Mississippi Baptist Seminary conferred the honorary Doctor of Divinity degree upon him in 1960.

Receiving the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity at the services Friday was Rev. J. D. Aycock, pastor of Broadmoor Baptist Church in Gulfport and president of the holding board of the Gulfport Center of the Seminary system.

At the close of the exercises Dr. Davis was called to the pulpit stand and presented the keys to a new automobile, a gift from "National Baptists and friends."

The commencement address was delivered by Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, executive secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, Jackson.

Degrees, certificates and diplomas were presented to 107 candidates who were present from the 24 centers of the seminary system in the state.

Dr. Bob Simmons, Meridian, is president of the board of trustees.

The seminary established a Phebe Award based on Romans 16:1-2.

This award was given for the first time to the Woman's Missionary Union, Mrs. Alma Barnes, teacher-missionary, Sophia Sutton Mission Assembly and president, Enterprise Baptist Women's Association, and

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PAUL JAMES IS ELECTED TO LEAD N. Y. CONVENTION

SCOTCH PLAINS, N. J. (BP)—The Executive Board of the Baptist Fellowship of New York has elected Paul James of New York City to become the first executive secretary-treasurer of the Baptist Convention of New York when it will be organized in September.

The new convention, with state offices in Syracuse, N. Y., will actually begin operation on Jan. 1, 1970. It will become the 31st state convention affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention.

In September, the constituting convention will be held by representatives of 160 churches and chapels with more than 10,000 members. The churches are located in an area which includes New York State, northern New Jersey, and southwestern Connecticut.

James, the superintendent of missions for the Metropolitan New York Baptist Association, is currently serving also as president of the fellowship.

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CHURCH INCOME

House Unit Agrees On Tax Reforms

WASHINGTON (BP)—The House Ways and Means Committee has agreed on a number of tax reforms related to churches, charitable agencies and private foundations. Among the recommendations to Congress to be made by the committee are:

*Unrelated business income of churches, social welfare clubs, civic leagues, social clubs, and fraternal beneficial associations will be taxed.

*The general limit on the charitable contributions deduction for individuals will be increased from 30 percent to 50 percent.

*The unlimited charitable contribution deduction in special circumstances will be repealed, effective in 1975, but with limitations imposed in the interim.

*Moving expense deductions would be expanded to a limit of \$2,500, and would include expenses for house-hunting trips, temporary living expenses at the new job location, expenses related to the sale of the old house, and expenses related to the purchase of a new residence.

*New regulations for private tax-exempt foundations will be proposed to prohibit "self-dealing," to require distribution of income within one year, and to prohibit such foundations from engaging directly or indirectly in any activities intended to influence the outcome of any election (including voter registration drives) or to influence the decision of any governmental body.

Chairman Wilbur D. Mills (D. Ark.) said that the "decisions being announced by the Ways and Means Committee" are tentative, "that they are now being drafted in legislative language, and that final decisions would be made before recommendations are sent to the Congress."

While no specific date has been set for House action on the tax reform bill, chairman Mills hopes to have it

passed and sent to the Senate prior to the August recess of Congress.

The tentative decisions of the Ways and Means Committee were announced in a ten-page document. It covered tax treatment of private foundations, other exempt organizations, charitable contributions, farm losses, moving expenses, corporate mergers and corporate securities, and multiple corporations.

This preliminary report is only a part of a long list of other tax reforms including proposals in taxation of the oil industry, capital gains, real estate, tax-exempt bond interest and estates.

The committee is working on legislation to close "loopholes" by which individuals and businesses reduce or eliminate their federal taxes. It is also considering proposals to lower taxes, especially for the poor.

There have been many complaints that private foundations abuse the tax-exemption privilege to perpetuate family wealth, play politics and engage in questionable activities at the expense of those who pay taxes.

The Ways and Means Committee has agreed on a long list of rules to apply to private foundations to assure that they abide by the reasons for their tax exemption.

For instance, private foundations are to be denied the right to make grants directly to individuals for purposes of travel, study or for other similar purposes. Such grants may be made, however, through tax-exempt schools or colleges or public charitable or religious organizations where the latter select the grantees.

The private foundation will also be given the responsibility of monitoring the grants it makes "to see to it that the funds are spent for the specified purpose." It must make full reports to the Internal Revenue Service.

Also, the private foundations will be

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MC Trustees Accept VA Rules, Clarify Admission Policy

Trustees of Mississippi College have voted approval for the administration to accept Veterans Administration rules. This was done so that ex-service men and war orphans, entitled to VA assistance, may continue to attend the college and receive benefit payments.

The trustees also approved clarification of admission policies for students making application for graduate study by voting to accept those who are qualified. This is expected to permit matriculation during the summer session of two or three Negro students who are teachers seeking the Master's degree in education.

The VA action was taken in the face of direct inquiry from the Veterans Administration regarding college policy.

Mississippi College had 133 students

under VA help the past session, counting fulltime and parttime students, there being 48 of the latter. They were divided into 19 freshmen, 17 sophomores, 33 juniors, 40 seniors and 24 graduate students.

Depending on the work load carried and number of dependents, the VA-assisted students draw from \$800 to \$1,500 for the school term.

The VA agreement was spelled out in a resolution which authorized the administration to sign an agreement with the Veterans Administration assuring compliance with regulations.

Mississippi College continues to operate under a policy of making no applications for federal assistance for the institution. The recent action concerns only aid to qualified veterans and dependents of deceased service men.

Seminary To Entertain in Convention-Goers

Southern hospitality New Orleans style is waiting for Southern Baptist Convention messengers when they visit the New Orleans Seminary campus at 3939 Gentilly Blvd. President H. Leo Eddleman has said, "We want the Seminary to be the number one attraction in the city, next to the convention itself."

New Orleans Seminary is planning to entertain visitors beginning several days before the convention and continuing through the week-end following the convention.

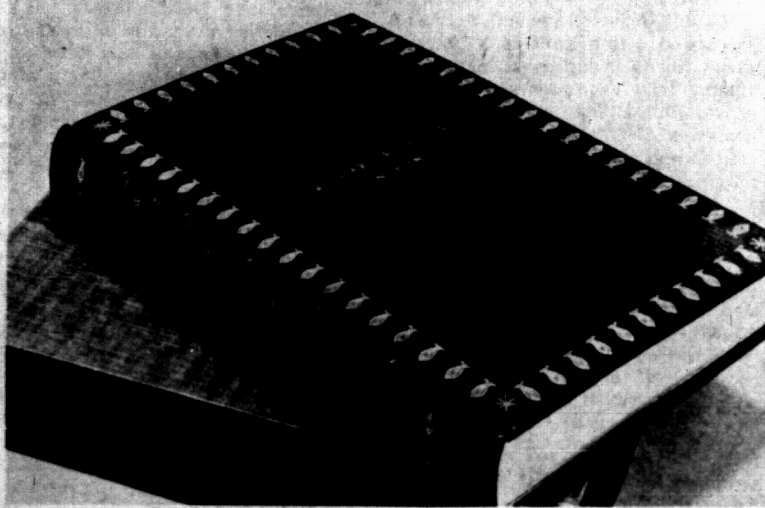
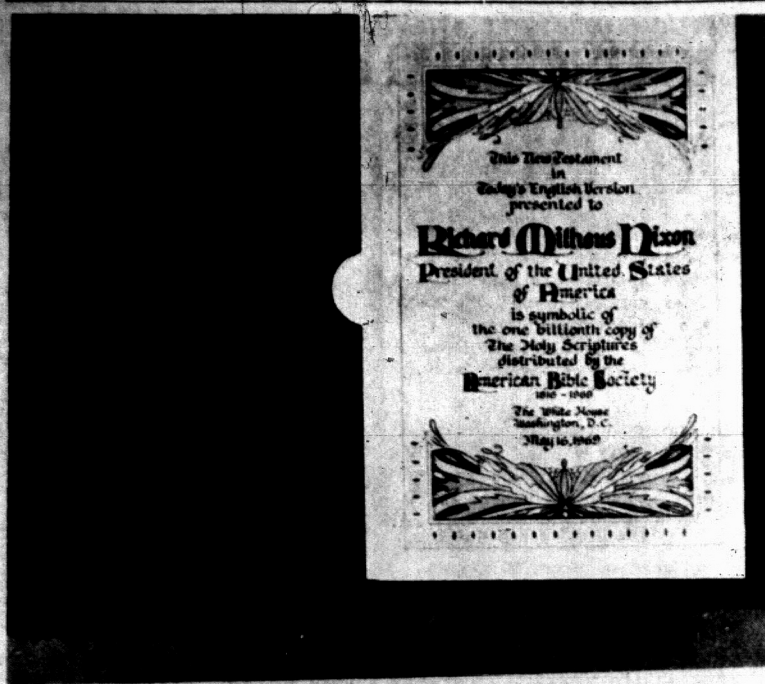
Plans for welcoming visitors include a special open house on Thursday afternoon June 12, with faculty and staff members present for conferences. Throughout the convention week Seminary students will serve as guides for visitors who wish to tour the campus. Chartered busses will maintain a regular hourly schedule each day between the Seminary and the convention hall for the convenience of those coming to the campus. While on campus, visitors are welcome to dine in the Seminary's Morrison catered cafeteria.

The Seminary's highlight of the week for alumni will be the annual Alumni Dinner, at the Jung Hotel at noon on June 12. The brief program will include the presentation of the Outstanding Alumnus Award for 1969. Also planned for the dinner is a progress statement on the Seminary's current \$2 million fund campaign for endowment chairs and student aid.

According to President Eddleman, the Seminary has played a major role

View of Library (right), one of the many beautiful buildings on campus of New Orleans Baptist Seminary, that will be seen by visitors to Southern Baptist Convention next week.





PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT — WASHINGTON, D. C. — President Nixon received this specially bound New Testament symbolizing the one billionth Scripture distributed by the American Bible Society, and complimented the Society for its Today's English Version. The volume is hand-bound in blue goatskin with the President's name, Richard Milhous Nixon, engraved in gold on the cover. The President said he will "particularly treasure" the volume "because of its symbolism and also because it does provide a new look."—RNS PHOTO

Calvary, Tupelo Calls Pastor

Calvary Baptist Church, Tupelo, in a special business session Sunday

May 25, issued a call to Dr. Bob Norwood Ramsay, a ThM degree from the Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, and a ThD degree from the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth.

Dr. Ramsay has served a pastor of the First Baptist Church of Brookhaven for the past nine years. In addition to his pastorate at Brookhaven, Dr. Ramsay has been first vice-president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention. He has also served as a member and vice-chairman of the Executive Committee of the State Convention Board, as chairman of the Budget Committee, and a member of the Building Committee for the Baptist Building in Jackson.

Dr. Ramsay visited the Holy Land in 1955, visited Russia on a preaching mission in 1965, and was director of the South Africa Crusade in 1967. He has appeared on the programs of the Evangelistic Conference of the Texas Baptist Convention three times and appeared twice for the Mississippi Baptist Evangelistic Conference.

The Brookhaven Chamber of Commerce paid Dr. Ramsay a signal honor in 1967 when he received the Citizenship Award at the Annual Chamber Commerce Banquet. With approximately four hundred business and professional leaders of the community in attendance at the dinner, Dr. Ramsay received the highest award given by the town of Brookhaven in recognition of the person who had made the most significant contribution toward the overall progress of the city. He was the first minister ever to receive this award.

Dr. Ramsay has held pastorates in the following churches: First Baptist Church, Cookeville, Tennessee, from 1949-1950; First Baptist Church, Willis Point, Texas, 1950-51 (while doing missionary work at Southwestern); and First Baptist Church, Denison, Texas, 1951-52. Since 1952 he has been pastor of the First Baptist Church, Brookhaven.

Dr. Ramsay is married to the former Miss Geraldine Terry of Memphis, Tenn. They are the parents of three children, a daughter who has graduated from Baylor University, a son in his senior year at Tennessee Polytechnic Institute, a daughter who has completed her freshman year at Mississippi College, and a daughter and son in high school.

Made Progress
The Brookhaven church made substantial progress under leadership of Dr. Ramsay.

A small building debt was retired, three additional lots adjacent to the church property have been purchased and paid for along with the development of a youth center.

One of the five missions started by the church was organized into a church and is now carrying on a full program. About \$1,400,000 has been given through the church with approximately one third of this amount being given to missions.

A new and adequate parsonage was built and was paid for at its completion. The budget has increased from \$125,000 in 1960 to \$182,000 in 1968. A church bus has been recently purchased, and a reserve fund \$190,000.

Dr. Ramsay was instrumental in the organization of an associational program as well as Brookhaven Center of the Mississippi Baptist Seminary. Occasionally during his vacation he participates in crusades or conducts tours.

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required to make full public disclosure of its activities and tax reports.

Regarding other tax exempt organizations, the new tax reforms, in addition to taxing unrelated business income of churches, and other other agencies, would sharply curtail tax privileges in the purchase or improvement of property with borrowed funds by such agencies.

Such provisions are aimed at curbing the practice of borrowing money to buy a business and repaying the loan out of tax-exempt profits.

Concerning charitable contributions, those who itemize deductions can generally deduct charitable contributions up to 30 percent of gross income. If a person's contributions plus income tax payments equal 90 percent or more of taxable income in eight of the 10 preceding years, however, he can deduct contributions in full.

While raising the general limitation from 30 to 50 percent, the committee decided on gradual reduction and finally repeal of the unlimited charitable deduction. No decision was announced about an earlier proposed three percent floor for deductions for gifts to churches and other charities.

In the case of gifts of appreciated property to churches or charity the committee has not yet decided how the appreciated value should be taxed.

At present, if property purchased at \$10,000 and now worth \$15,000 is given to charity, the donor can deduct \$15,000. He is not taxed on the \$5,000 gain in taxable income. The committee is seeking ways to tax the appreciated value of such properties.

Generation Gap Is Bridged At Meet

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Since the consultation results are subject to change and refinement, they could not be reported with finality — only from the standpoint of the general direction they took, according to Albert McClellan of Nashville, program planning secretary for the SBC Executive Committee and staff coordinator for the study.

Participants recognized student work leadership problems on all three levels and suggested possible solutions. The problems included lack of staff, continuing education of workers and, on the national level at least, "indistinct and uncertain" leadership which "has failed to secure adequate attention for BSU" and has lacked "quantity and quality sufficient to give state and campus programs proper support."

Other problems touched on finance, present structure and location of the national BSU office, failure to adequately communicate the story of Baptist student work, and lack of currency and relevancy of program content.

More attention will be given in future meetings to a possible name change for BSU, relocation or restructuring of the national student work office, and ways to relieve tensions between Baptist colleges and BSU over

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The Baptist Fellowship of New York is the intermediate organization leading up to state convention status.

Before becoming superintendent of missions for New York City and surrounding metropolitan area, James was pastor for six years of the Manhattan Baptist Church.

Previously, he was pastor in Auburn, N. Y., and at the Tabernacle Baptist Church in Atlanta. In 1957 he went to New York and organized the first Southern Baptist Church in the New York City, New Jersey, New England area.

Since then, Southern Baptist mission work has grown to 140 churches and chapels — some in the six New England states which will later become a state convention, and some in southern New Jersey which will join Pennsylvania churches in becoming a convention.

Currently, Southern Baptist churches in the New York state are affiliated with the State Convention of Baptists in Ohio. Baptist churches east of Rochester, N. Y., are affiliated with the Baptist Convention of Maryland.

The newly-elected executive secretary for the proposed new convention is a native of New York, and a graduate of Wheaton College and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Under appointment by the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, James was a member of the board before his appointment. In Georgia, he was president of the Atlanta Baptist Pastors' Conference, vice president of the Georgia Baptist Convention, and was in 1963 elected first vice president of the entire Southern Baptist Convention.

James will assume the position effective July 1. The constituting convention is scheduled for September 28 in Syracuse. James will move to Syracuse shortly after July 1 to begin laying the foundations for the state office and begin preparations for the constituting convention.



Dr. Paul James

Our Baptist Colleges Deserve Greater Financial Support

By A. A. Roebuck, Hazlehurst
Yesterday, members of the Baptist Education Commission met at Blue Mountain College. Also present were members of the Board of Trustees of BMC and other leaders, including Dr. Felix Robb, Director of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools; Dr. Doug Hudgins, Executive Secretary of the Baptist Convention Board; Dr. McCall, its President, and representatives of the other colleges and universities of the State, including Mississippi College, Clarke and William Carey.

President Harold Fisher had invited the Commission members and these other guests in connection with

vision of funds and the place of BSU on the campus.

Recognizing that incoming college freshmen are often ill prepared, consultation members explored ways student workers on the campus, state and national levels can orient high school students.

In profiling the Christian college student, the consultation participants said: "The student needs an arena to express himself and yet be loved. Let him try new ideas, even at the risk of failure."

Work groups mulling over special problems faced by Baptist and Christian college students decided that students often are unprepared by their churches and religious experiences to confront the secular and scientific mood of the college campus.

One consultation study group concluded that the Christian student runs squarely into religious insecurity — a result of the anti-religion element on campus which challenges the student's lack of biblical orientation by churches in pre-college days.

Consultation leaders preached what young Maguire said they practiced: "Listen to college students. Be sensitive and aware of the contribution that the student can make and is making."

Underlying the consultation was a concern that relevant ways be found to communicate the Christian gospel to the entire academic community in a way which will pierce the defenses of the changing world.

Several questions, left open-ended, indicate the magnitude of the problems for future student work meetings: "How can we lead our churches to accept and understand the changing patterns of today's college generation?" "How can we overcome the communication gap between students, pastors and other church youth leaders?" "Why has the present generation of college students taken a critical stance toward missions?"

Answers to these and other questions concerning SBC student work will be eagerly awaited by those who wish to hone their ministries to reach effectively the church and community leaders of the future.

The conference participants returned to their homes realizing that the study may not provide all the answers, but it is a big step in the right direction.

The nation-wide study of student life was requested by action of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, which currently coordinates the Southern Baptist student work program.

Mississippians who attended, according to categories, were as follows: State director of student work, Rev. Ralph B. Winders; local student directors, Harold Gully, Mississippi State University, and John Gilbert, Mississippi Delta Junior College; students, Miss Rebecca Greer, Blue Mountain College, and Larry Littlejohn, Itawamba Junior College; college town pastor, Dr. S. R. Woodson, pastor First Baptist Church, Columbus; college town church staff member, Miss Betty Jo Lacy, youth director, First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg; college faculty member, Dr. Phillips McCarty, Mississippi College.

Rev. Stanley File Patient at Ochsner's

Rev. Stanley File, former Mississippian, who has been pastor of the Glacier Valley Baptist Church in Juneau, Alaska, for the past several years, is now in New Orleans, La., where he is an out-patient at Ochsner's Clinic.

Correction

A story in the Baptist Record, issue of May 29, on page 3, under heading "The Kurt Kaiser Singers Tell It Like It Is," erroneously stated that the group would sing Saturday evening, June 7 in the Gulfport High School Auditorium and at the morning worship hour Sunday, June 8 at the First Baptist Church, Gulfport.

It should have read Bloxi in each case instead of Gulfport.

The Baptist Record carried the story as provided by Baylor University, Waco, Texas, but is glad to make correction.



CAREY CONFERS HONORARY DEGREES

CAREY COLLEGE conferred honorary doctoral degrees on two outstanding Baptists during commencement ceremonies May 24. Rev. Johnny Lee Taylor (center) pastor of the First Baptist Church of McComb was awarded the Doctor of Divinity Degree. He is a trustee of the college. John Bonnard Young, right, president of Jones Junior College in Ellisville, was presented with the Doctor of Laws Degree. He is a native of Lafayette County. Shown congratulating the two is Dr. Joseph M. Ernest, academic vice-president of William Carey College. 165 graduating seniors received bachelor degrees during the ceremonies.

Dr. Brooks Haynes - - -

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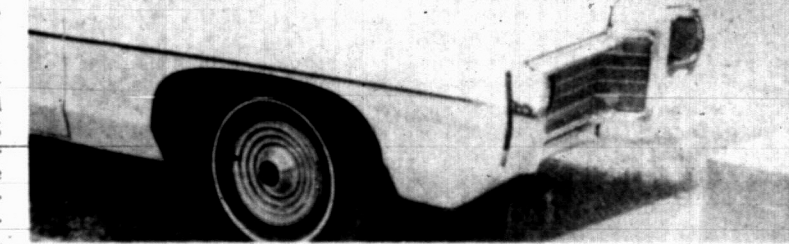
his career.

He was a member of Pi Kappa Lambda, national honorary music scholarship fraternity; American Musicological Society; Music Educators National Conference; Mississippi Music Teachers' Association and the Music Teachers' National Association.

Dr. Haynes was buried in Blue Mountain. He leaves no immediate family.

The funeral services were held from Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church, Blue Mountain where he had been a member for fifteen years, serving as Chairman of the Church Music Committee for a number of years. Officiating were the Rev. Alvin G. Hall, pastor, and President E. Harold Fisher of Blue Mountain College. Just prior to the opening of the impressive and reverent service, G. Edward Ludlow, Associate Professor of Music of the College, played recordings of sacred numbers sung by the Blue Mountain College Chorus, organized and directed by Dr. Haynes immediately after his joining the Music Faculty of the College. Mr. Ludlow played the organ music for the funeral service. The pastor appropriately read the "Blue Mountain College Psalm," the 121st, and the 13th Chapter of First Corinthians.

In paying special memorial tribute to Dr. Haynes, President Fisher read Psalm 1, and did so because he explained that it so beautifully described a man like Brooks Haynes. For President Fisher's Inaugural, Dr. Haynes had composed a special musical number for the BMC Chorus to sing for the occasion, based upon the words of the same wonderful Psalm. President Fisher said that Dr. Haynes could be characterized best by one word — LOVE. He loved his immediate family, his students, his fellow faculty and staff members, his local friends, all of the children of the faculty and staff, animals, and had a great love for God. He was loyal, faithful, loved his work, and the beauty of the world. He gave his best to all concerned at Blue Mountain and elsewhere. He loved Blue Mountain College and gave his best for her interest.



DR. W. M. P. DAVIS, president of the Mississippi Baptist Seminary, stands beside the new automobile given him by National Baptists and friends at the close of commencement exercises Friday, Sept. 30 at Sophia Sutton Assembly near Prentiss. From left, Mrs. Davis; Dr. Davis; Rev. Dick Brogan, Cleveland, director of promotion and education of the seminary; Dr. S. L. Richmond, director of the assembly who made the presentation; Miss Norma Goodson, Jackson, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Davis, and Dr. T. B. Brown, new seminary president.

Seminary Names - - -

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Mrs. Melerson Guy Dunham, professor of Home Economics, Alcorn A&M College, Lorman.

This award will be continued as a recognition of the services of an individual or an organization that most nearly fulfills the ministry of Sister Phebe.

An Award of Distinguished Journalism was given to The Baptist Record and an Award for Distinguished Broadcasting to WOKJ. Curtis Caloway, a senior at Alcorn A&M College, received the Owen Williams Memorial Scholarship.



Dr. J. D. Aycock

Our Baptist Colleges Deserve Greater Financial Support

function. It was noted that there had been no student riots or other disturbances on either of the four Baptist campuses in Mississippi and the graduates of these colleges had brought great credit to themselves, their families, and state, by their excellent use of educational opportunities. Dr. Robb naturally, pointed out the matter of need for greater financial assistance to these colleges.

In the light of the fact that our colleges are running smoothly and well on modest budgets and the further fact that there is such a contrast in conditions on their respective campuses and those on many other and large

campuses throughout the country, it was and is the sense of the Commission members to bring these matters afresh to the attention our people in the hope that those who are able to do so may find an urge to give greater financial support to these colleges. They are bastions of moral strength in our state and country today, as well as institutions of learning. Members of the Commission urgently request each and every one of you to pray over this matter, talk about it with family members, and then, do your best continuously. Positive responses will become good deeds in a day of opportunity and challenge.

BAPTIST VIEWpoll

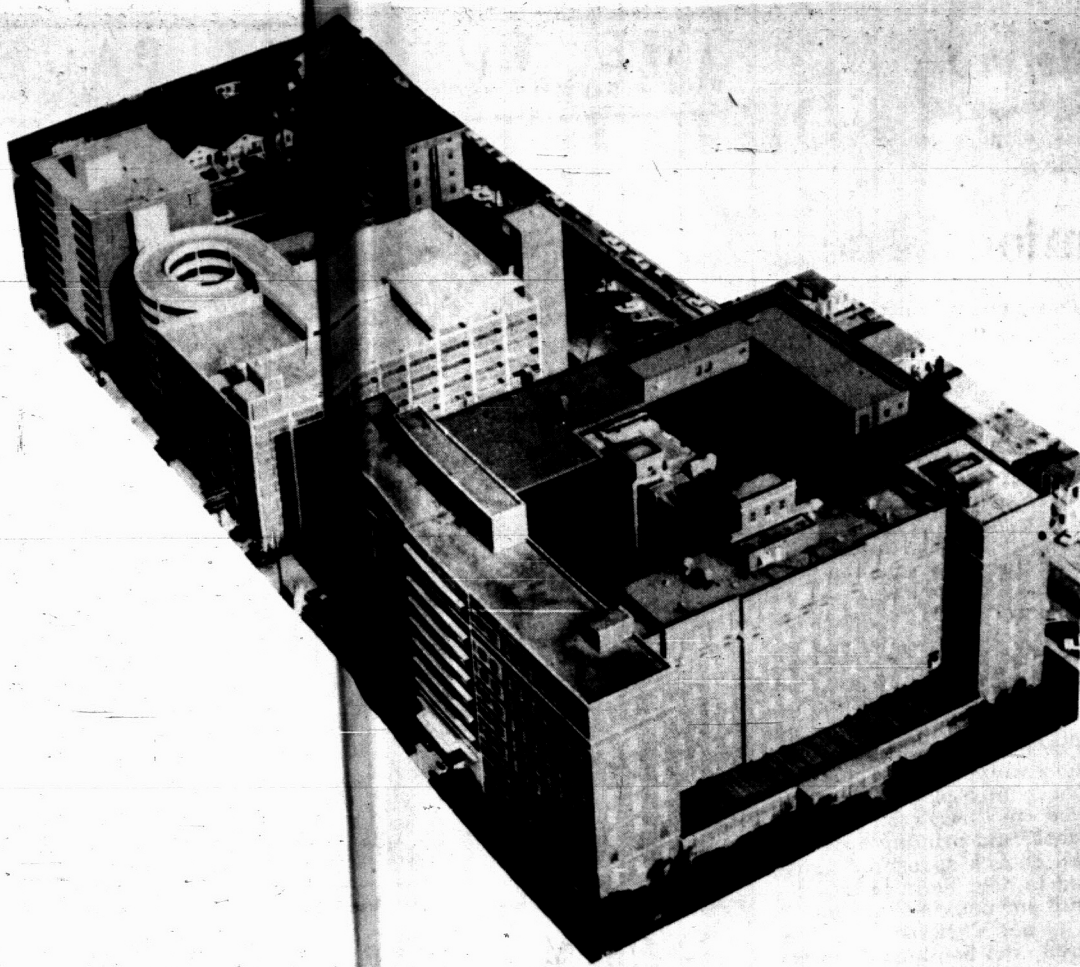
MARTIN B. BRADLEY, Director

President Nixon Wins Approval In Baptist VIEWpoll Report

NASHVILLE (BP) — A recent Southern Baptist VIEWpoll showed 83.3 per cent of Baptist pastors and 81.1 per cent of Sunday School teachers approving the way Richard Nixon is handling his job as President.

The poll gave Nixon 15 per cent more approval than the Gallup Poll of the same period. The Gallup Poll showed 65 per cent of the general public expressing approval of the way Nixon is handling his job.

When asked, "Just your first impressions — do you approve or disapprove of the way Nixon is handling his job as President?" only 7.7 per cent of the pastors and 9.1 per cent



Southern Baptist Hospital One of South's Largest

Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans, opened in 1926, is owned and operated by the Southern Baptist Convention, but its services are available to members of all denominations and to those who belong to no religious group.

Patients of Southern Baptist Hospital come from the Southern states and from our neighbor-countries in South and Central America.

The hospital is one of the largest private hospitals in the South. Our facilities represent an investment of \$11,000,000 with another \$7,000,000 being invested in the expansion program begun in 1965.

This expansion includes Bristow Towers, a 10 story staff apartment building; a 500 car parking ramp; the addition of a new 8 story wing to the hospital building; a new education and nurses' residence for the Mather School of Nursing and the acquisition of Taylor House, a 70 bed extended care facility.

Southern Baptist Hospital is fully accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals. It is a member of the American Hospital Association, The Louisiana Hospital Association, and the New Orleans Hospital Council.

It is recognized today as a teaching hospital and is approved by the American Medical Association Council on Medical Education and Hospitals for the training of interns and residents. It operates the Mather School of Nursing.

Southern Baptist Hospital is non-profit. No one makes a profit from the hospital's operation or ever can. All earnings over and above operating costs are spent for improving and increasing the hospital's facilities for serving the patient.

Dr. Raymond C. Wilson is executive director.

Superintendents Of Missions To Discuss Community Future

NEW ORLEANS (BP) — Two panel discussions, including one on "Understanding the Community", and a major address on the future of the Baptist Association in Southern Baptist life will highlight the Southern Baptist Conference for Associational Superintendents of Missions here Tuesday, June 10.

The closing address will be brought by James L. Sullivan, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, on the future of the association.

Another major address will be delivered by Kenneth L. Chafin, professor of evangelism at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, on the topic of "Involvement."

Robert L. Lee, executive secretary of the Louisiana Baptist Convention, will also address the group of missions workers employed by Baptist associations throughout the SBC.

Two panel discussions involving the missions superintendents themselves will delve into their own understanding of the community, and their relationships to the community as counselors, denominational representatives, unofficial placement workers, and as preachers.

Discussion from the floor will be a part of both panel presentations, said Mercer C. Irwin, executive secretary of the New Orleans Baptist Association and president of the organization.

The panel on understanding the community will cover rural, metropolitan, pioneer, and changing situations, with one panelist assigned to each area of discussion.

Six Messages Set For Meeting Of SBC Evangelists At N.O.

NEW ORLEANS (BP) — A half-dozen messages and sermons will highlight the annual Conference of Southern Baptist Evangelists, meeting here Thursday afternoon, June 12, during the week of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Speakers for the conference include three evangelists, a seminary professor, and the pastor and retired pastor of Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis. The evangelists on the program are Angel Martinez of Fort Smith, Ark.; James Robinson of Hurst, Tex.; and Nathan Bussey of Oklahoma City.

The seminary professor is Wayne Ward, professor of Christian theology at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

The Memphis ministers are Ramsey Pollard, current pastor, and R. G. Lee, pastor emeritus, of Bellevue Baptist Church.

Presiding over the session, which begins at 12:14 and ends at 5:00 p.m., at the First Baptist Church of New Orleans, will be John Tierney, evangelist from Greenville, S. C.

Special music will be brought by Ann Criswell Jackson of DeRidder, La.; Darlie Hodges of Del City, Oklahoma; Eddie Smoth of Corpus Christi, Tex.; Mrs. Bette Stalenecker of Ripley, Tenn.; and John McKay of Hurst, Tex.

BBI Alumni Breakfast

GRACEVILLE, Fla. — Baptist Bible Institute alumni will hold their first Convention-wide meeting during the SBC.

They will have breakfast together, Wednesday at 7:00 a.m., in the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary cafeteria.

"Most will be there from Florida, Alabama, Georgia, and Mississippi, but we should have alumni present from Maine to Oregon."

Frank Groner Honored By Baylor U.

WACO, Texas—On May 26, Dr. Frank S. Groner, administrator of Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee, received an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Baylor University. The honor was bestowed in recognition of his outstanding leadership in the health field.

The citation was read by Mr. Boone Powell, vice-president of Baylor University and director of Baylor Medical Center. The honorary degree was conferred by Dr. Abner McCall, president of Baylor University.

Letters of congratulations were read from Governor of Tennessee; Andrew Holt, president of the University of Tennessee; and Hays E. Owen, Jr., chairman of the Board of Trustees of Baptist Memorial Hospital.

Dr. Groner also delivered the commencement address to the graduates of the Baylor Dental College on the Dallas campus.

This is the third honorary Doctor of Laws degree presented to Dr. Groner. The first two were from Union University and East Texas Baptist College.

Dr. Groner is a graduate of Baylor University and taught at Marshall College where he was Dean of the School of Business prior to entering the field of hospital administration. Before coming to Baptist Memorial Hospital as administrator in 1946, Dr. Groner was administrator of the Baptist Hospital in New Orleans, La.

The first bedspring was developed by a hotel man. In 1831, he made one from the wires used in ladies' hoops and bustles.



MEMBERS OF THE GOLDEN Anniversary Class of 1919 attended a reunion in their honor at ceremonies at Mississippi College on commencement weekend. They were awarded special 50th anniversary "diplomas" at a special breakfast held on commencement morning. Attending the reunion were from the left, STANDING—Murray Webb Latimer of Washington, D.C.; Dick Houston Hall, Jr. of Decatur, Ga.; Alexis H. Templeton of Hollandale; Ernest S. Flynt of Biloxi; Albert J. Logan, Ann Arbour, Michigan; and Abe Freyman of Greenville. SEATED—James T. Gurney of Orlando, Fla.; Nat H. Parker of Perkinston; William L. Pack, Jr. of Laurel; and Robert B. Patterson of Calhoun City.—(M.C. Photo)

ADDITIONAL SONG LEADERS NEEDED FOR MONTANA AND OHIO CRUSADES

Additional song leaders are needed for the evangelistic crusades to be held in Montana and Ohio July 20-27, according to Dan C. Hall, director of the Church Music Department.

Fourteen men are needed for Montana with nine needed for Ohio. Those interested are asked to contact Mr. Hall at the Church Music Department, P. O. Box 530, Jackson.

Those eligible include ministers of music, musical pastors and musical educational directors, Mr. Hall said.

How They Fared

Mississippi Baptists in 1968

By J. Clark Hensley
Executive Director

Christian Action Commission

Mississippi led all the Southern Baptist Convention states in percentage of mission gifts to Southern Baptist Convention causes, with 56.3% of all mission gifts going to causes outside Mississippi. According to the Quarterly Review, Baptist Sunday School Board, our total mission expenditures were \$6,038,745. Our total Cooperative Program receipts were \$3,666,344, with a total of \$1,156,280 going to Southern Baptist Convention causes — or 31.5%. The remainder represents "special offerings" or "designated" gifts.

The 1968 report shows us to have 77 associations with 1886 churches, who baptized 15,784 people and received 24,790 by letter — to bring the membership to 526,350. 1383 churches have less than 300 members and 258 more fall in 300-499 total membership, leaving only 245 churches with membership above 500. Yet 1483 churches are considered "full-time" which includes 70% of the 1115 open country churches. 1646 churches reported pastors in 1968. 97 new ministers were ordained, 34 from country churches. The 1115 open country churches reported 182,157 members, while 335 city churches reported 233,442 members. 1504 churches reported baptisms. 1811 churches have Sunday schools; 1382, Vacation Bible Schools; 1466, Training Unions; 1066, W. M. U.; 667, Brotherhoods; 1131, a music ministry. The churches operated 123 missions—35, country; 10, village; 6, town; and 72, city.

Among the baptisms, 45 were under 6 years of age; 1145 from primary departments; 6596 from the junior departments; 3129, intermediates; 1910, age 17-24; and 2959 over age 25. We were down 3.4% in baptisms, with 1-33 ratio to membership. There was a slight increase over preceding years in country, village and town churches but a decrease of 9.4% in city churches offset this. 9486 of the baptisms were in churches of less than 500 members. Our churches received 1478 members from other denominations but lost 997 to other denominations, with a net gain of 481.

Property is valued at \$160,704,726 for a 5% gain. The State Convention assets were reported at \$34,141,059.

Total tithes and offerings of Mississippi Baptists amounted to \$34,928,925 for an 8.8% increase over 1967, with a per capita giving of \$68.36. If every Southern Baptist were a tither, instead of \$67.23 per capita giving (S.B.C.) with \$761,898,138 tithes and offerings, we would have a \$223.06 per capita giving; with \$2,527,242 in annual tithes.

Pastors Report 'Outside' Work

In Mississippi, 566 pastors (240 part-time and 326 full-time) were reported

having paid employment outside the church. The average pastor's salary in churches with membership below 400 was \$3878; membership 400-749, \$6,078; membership 750-999, \$6967; membership 1000 - 1499, \$7867. These figures do not include housing, car expense, etc.

In 1968, 795 churches in Mississippi participated in the Annuity Program, ranking 11th in the Convention.

How do we rank in other areas with other states in the Southern Baptist Convention?

In population (U.S.)	24th
In number of churches (30 conv. state groups)	7th
In membership	10th
In additions by baptism	13th
In Sunday School enrolment	11th
In Training Union enrolment	8th
In Vacation Bible School enrolment	11th
In W.M.U. enrolment	10th
In Brotherhood Enrolment	10th
In Music Ministry	8th
In total receipts	10th
In total mission gifts	11th
In per capita income (U.S. 1967)	50th
In property valuation, \$160,704,726	11th

Of Mississippi's total population of 2,344,000, a total 320,303 were enrolled in Baptist Sunday schools.

Mississippi Baptist churches now have 689 libraries — 356 being in rural and village churches.

Our Baptist Hospital reported 14,969 patients in 1968, of whom 7200 were Baptists.

The Children's Village reported 138 children in residence, with 47 under care, living off campus.

314 Enrolled at Clarke

At Clarke College, there were 314 enrolled, with 103 studying for church-related vocations; at Blue Mountain College, 679 enrolled with 89 studying for church-related vocations; at Mississippi College, 3124 enrolled with 285 studying for church-related vocations; and at William Carey College, 1143 enrolled with 187 studying for church-related vocations. Forty-one senior Southern Baptist colleges reported a total of 81,114 students, with 3149 studying for church-related vocations; and 14 junior colleges reported 13,078 enrolled, with 687 studying for church-related vocations.

Our 31 Baptist Student Unions in Mississippi reported 19 full-time directors and a 5 part-time directors, with 10 student centers. 454 International students and a total of 22,356 Baptist students were reported enrolled in Mississippi colleges and universities, with 19,668 in non-Baptist schools.

Our Baptist Record reported circulation of 109,000, being exceeded by only three other states — Alabama, Georgia and Texas.

Finally, though such reports were not carried in the Quarterly Review,

we must add we are still one of two states having a staff to be concerned with moral and social problems and such programs as assigned to the Christian Action Commission.

Gully Accepts Post In Birmingham

Harold N. Gully, director of Baptist Student Work at Mississippi State University since 1967, he resigned, effective July 1, to become assistant dean of students at Jefferson State Junior College, Birmingham, Alabama, a school four years old with a student body of 5,000.

In his new position he will be director of religious life, director of all student organizations, and in charge of the college calendar of activities.

Mr. Gully is an alumnus of Mississippi State University and New Orleans Baptist Seminary. Previously he has been director of Baptist Student Work at Pearl River Junior College, the non-Baptist schools in Hinds County, and Auburn (Alabama) University; and he was for a time an associate in the Brotherhood Department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

Mr. Gully is a native of Neshoba and his wife is the former Nelly Don Robbins of Columbia. They have three children, Ronnie, Ginger, and Robin.



New Approved Workers Trained

FIVE NEW CHURCH administration approved workers attended a training session sponsored jointly by the Church Administration Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board and the Cooperative Missions Department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board held recently. Seated left to right, they are: Rev. Glen Williams, Collins; Rev. Gowan Ellis, Sherman; (Rev. Leon Emery, state church administration director); Wayne Wilson, Brookhaven; Rev. Maurice Flowers, Jr., Laurel; and Dr. Charles Melton, Newton. Standing is Joe Hinkle, church administration consultant at the Sunday School Board. Other church administration approved workers are: Farrell Blankenship, Hattiesburg; Rev. J. W. Brister, Gulfport; Maurice Hodges, Amory; Rev. James A. Jeffreys, Sardis; Rev. Arthur Leslie, Oxford; Rev. J. D. Lundy, Greenville; Rev. Billy Nimmons, Starkville; Rev. Carl Savell, Jackson; Rev. Kermit Sharp, Marion. These workers are available on a limited basis to churches that have need in areas of Church Administration. Either contact them personally or through the Cooperative Missions Department.

Another Convention Issue

Since writing at length concerning issues which might confront the messengers at the coming SBC in New Orleans, another has appeared on the horizon.

It seems very probable that James Forman and representatives of his National Black Economic Development Council will appear at New Orleans, to read their "Manifesto," and make their demands on Southern Baptists, as they have on other denominations.

We have no fear concerning the handling of this matter, for we have full confidence in Dr. W. A. Criswell, and other convention officials. We think that they will be ready for any such exigency, and will handle it with courtesy and firmness. If the decision comes to the convention, we think it will vote not to hear this revolutionary leader.

It is our opinion that Mr. Forman and his associates should not be heard. We think that they should be told courteously but firmly that Southern Baptists will not give them a platform for the promotion of their cause. They do not represent the vast majority of the Negroes in America. The introduction to the "Manifesto" (a copy is before me as I write) says that the "United States is the most barbaric country in the world," and "we have a chance to bring this government down." It also declares "we are dedicated to building a

socialist society in the United States" and "we could work the economy while the brothers fought guerrilla warfare in the streets."

The manifesto declares "To win our demands we will have to declare war on the white Christian churches and the synagogues... if the white Christians and Jews are not willing to meet our demands through peace and good will, then we declare war and we are prepared to fight by whatever means necessary."

The manifesto states "We call for total disruption of selected church sponsored agencies operating anywhere in the United States or the world. Black workers, black women, black students and black unemployed are encouraged to seize the offices, telephones, and printing apparatus of all church sponsored agencies and to hold these in trusteeship until our demands are met."

This is not Christianity! It is blackmail, and Southern Baptists should not yield to it for one minute. If someone says, "Why give them wide publicity by refusing to hear them?" let us answer, "Why not give ourselves the wide publicity, by having the courage to reject such a group?" Southern Baptists can and will work with responsible Negro leadership, in solving problems of this nation. They should not, for one moment, yield to the pressures of self-styled "revolutionists."

The Mississippi Baptist Seminary

One of the most effective, and yet, probably least known ministries of Mississippi Baptists, is the Mississippi Baptist Seminary.

This is a seminary program, administered jointly by National Baptists and the Mississippi Baptist Convention, providing training opportunities for Negro Baptist leadership all over the state. The program is so planned that it reaches into every area of the state, and offers training opportunities for pastors and church leaders, at all levels of background and training.

The seminary was started more than 27 years ago by Dr. Herbert Lang, a National Baptist minister, who dreamed of greater educational opportunities for pastors and leaders of his race, and asked the Mississippi Baptist Convention to give assistance. The convention responded, and the two groups, National Baptists and the Mississippi Baptist Convention, have worked together in this ministry called "The Great Adventure," for more than a quarter of a century. Today, between 2,000 and 2,500 persons are enrolled in the classes each year.

The seminary is so organized that it carries its teaching program to centers where the people are throughout the state. The central center and headquarters is in Jackson, but teaching centers are located in more than 20 cities and towns throughout Mississippi. At the 26th annual commencement, held at Sophia Sutton Assembly at Prentiss, last Friday, we saw more than 100 persons receive certificates, diplomas and degrees.

For the past ten years Dr. William P. Davis, Director of the

Mississippi Baptist Convention department of work with National Baptists, has served as president of the seminary, along with his other duties. Under his leadership the seminary has enlarged its program and strengthened its work. Very soon it will move into attractive and commodious new headquarters in Jackson. While serving so well in this capacity, Dr. Davis also has led in the development of the Sophia Sutton Assembly, in the Baptist Student Union program, and in many other areas. He is now relinquishing the responsibilities of the presidency of the seminary, in order to give more attention to other phases of his department's work.

As an expression of appreciation for the ten leadership of the seminary given by Dr. Davis, National Baptists and other friends, surprised him with the gift of a new Pontiac sedan, at last week's commencement exercises.

Taking Dr. Davis' place as president of the seminary, will be Dr. T. B. Brown, pastor of the Mt. Helm Baptist Church in Jackson, and present vice-president of the institution. He will assume his duties on September 1, with his official inauguration coming during the 1970-71 session. Dr. Brown is one of the outstanding National Baptist leaders in the state, having pastored some of the strongest churches, and served in many other capacities. He is an able, warm hearted, dedicated, and thoroughly trained leader, with broad experience, and we predict that under his leadership the seminary will reach even greater heights of influence and effectiveness in its ministry.

"Saint J. D."

A special event among the many scheduled to be held in connection with the coming Southern Baptist Convention in New Orleans, will be the introduction, on Sunday night, June 8, at First Baptist Church, New Orleans, of a new book, which is a biography of Dr. J. D. Grey, pastor of the church.

The book carries the very apt and intriguing title, "Saint J. D." and was written by Dr. James Cole, editor of the Baptist Message of Louisiana, and Dr. Robert L. Lee, executive secretary of the Louisiana Baptist Convention. The book is published by Word Books of Waco, Texas.

Pre-publication proof sheets reveal what an outstanding job the authors have done in presenting the great spirit and heart of this unique and effective preacher and denominational leader.

Dr. Grey has been pastor of First Baptist Church, New Orleans, for almost a third of a century. In 1897 he came to lead

this strategic church, located in the midst of a large, predominantly Roman Catholic city. He has led the church to become one of the great churches in all of the South, and has helped Baptists to reach a position, second only to Catholics, both in size and influence in the city.

Dr. J. D. Grey is a great preacher, a man among men, and an outstanding denominational leader. He served with distinction as President of the Southern Baptist Convention; and has held numerous places of leadership on committees and boards of the SBC, and on important committees of the Baptist World Alliance. He has been active in civic affairs, and, as a citizen in New Orleans and Louisiana, is highly respected both in the city and the state.

With his unusual sense of humor, his remarkable ability at repartee, and his widely known reputation as a story teller, crowned by his mighty power



NEWEST BOOKS

THE BOOK OF OBADIAH by Don W. Hinks (Baker, 75 pp., paperback, \$1.95)

A study manual on the book of Obadiah. Inexpensive, yet offering the reader sound scholarship and able authorship.

THE NAMES OF GOD IN HOLY SCRIPTURE by Andrew Jukes (Kregel Publications, \$3.50, 226 pp.)

Reproduced from the first edition published in London, 1888. The use of various names to designate God in the Scriptures has been the object of much study. Jukes explored in this volume the individual names, and sought to exhibit the specific aspect of God's dealings and personality which each expresses.

TRAILS AND TURNPIKES by Carl E. Price (Abingdon, 128 pp., \$2.75)

In these 23 meditations for out-of-doors, the author brings a greater awareness of the wonders and quiet strength that lie "beyond our asphalt jungles and concrete canyons." He says these meditations were not written just to glorify nature, but "to attempt to let God speak to us by becoming sensitive to his world." The small, attractively bound book is illustrated with black and white drawings.

SEVEN WORDS OF LOVE by G. Hall Todd (Baker, paperback, 71 pp., \$1.50)

These sermons demonstrate in a striking way that the seven words from the cross have a timeless relevance.

EDUCATION WHAT'S HAPPENING

Groucho Marx: "I find TV very educational. Every time someone turns on the TV set, I go into the next room and read a book."

Anyone or any group that substitutes force for rational persuasion at the University of Notre Dame will henceforth be subject to suspension, expulsion, court action, or a combination thereof. That was the message recently from the Reverend Theodore M. Hesburgh, president of the university.

In a letter to faculty members, students, and parents, the president reiterated his belief in the right of legitimate protest. But he added that "the last thing a shaken society needs is more shaking. The last thing a noisy, turbulent, and disintegrating community needs is more noise, turbulence, and disintegration... Complicated social mechanisms, out of joint, are not adjusted with sledge hammers."

President Hesburgh said he had consulted with all segments of the university community and concluded that he had a "clear mandate" to see:

That "our lines of communication between all segments of the community are kept as open as possible, with all legitimate means of communicating dissent assured, expanded, and protected";

That "civility and rationality are maintained as the most reasonable means of dissent within the academic community"; and

That "violation of others' rights or obstruction of the life of the university are outlawed as illegitimate

as an effective preacher, Dr. Grey is the ideal type of person about whom a biography can be written. He told his biographers to "tell it like it is," and they have done just that. He is a

FAVORITE CHRISTIAN POEMS COLLECTED BY Donald T. Kauffman (Fleming H. Revell, 160 pp., \$3.95)

A compilation of all-time favorite Christian poems chosen for their enduring popularity and their message of faith and beauty. Here are old favorites, hymns and poems, that people have found meaningful through the years. Conveniently arranged and indexed by topics. Some of the favorite poetry writers include Annie Johnson Flint, Francis Ridley Havergal, Fanny Crosby, John Milton, George MacDonald, and John Oxenham.

ON THE MORAL SCENE

CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMISSION, SBC

"The Labor Department announced recently the largest single job training contract on record, a \$13.8-million agreement with Chrysler Corporation to train 4,450 hard-core unemployed over two years. Labor Secretary George P. Shultz and Chrysler President Virgil E. Boyd signed the agreement. Chrysler Training Corporation, the firm's training subsidiary, will hire and train the jobless as drill press operators, spot welders, production line assemblers, and material coordinators. They will earn from \$3.30 to \$3.86 an hour upon completion of training. The training project will be financed under the Manpower Development and Training Act in cooperation with the National Alliance of Businessmen. Shultz said the contract is an example of the growing involvement of the business community in manpower training. Boyd added, 'The success of our employment programs is providing jobs for the disadvantaged has given these men and women the dignity and hope previously denied them and adds to our confidence in the worth of these cooperative efforts.' The Labor Department said the trainees will be selected from 'severely disadvantaged' persons. (Louisville Courier-Journal, 5-15-69)

"Bayard Rustin, longtime Negro civil rights leader, says colleges are taking a cheap way out by accepting Negro students' demands for black studies programs. Instead, he says, colleges need to develop massive, remedial projects to improve the scholastic level of Negro students and to enable them to make their academic way. Rustin deplored violent protests and said it was humiliating to see college administrators and faculty submitting to Negroes with guns. They wouldn't submit to 'Ku Klux Klansmen coming on campus with guns,' he said. (Louisville Courier-Journal & Times, 5-4-69)

means of dissent in this kind of open society." He then outlined what will happen if those principles are violated: "Disrupters will be given '15 minutes of meditation to cease and desist their activities. If they do not comply, those with university identity cards will be suspended, and those who fail to produce them will be charged with illegal trespass.' Those who refuse to cease their disruptions will then be given another five minutes, after which students will be expelled and 'the law will deal with them as non-students.'"

"Saint" with a small "s" and without a halo.

This book evidently shows the many facets of this great leader's character, and we look forward to getting our copy.



Quiet Talks ON RELIGION IN LIFE

CHESTER E. SWOR

"Stars Also"

To multiple millions of Christians in every age great inspiration has come from Genesis 1:16, "And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night; he made the stars also." In addition to the challenge to people of the "greater light" and of the "lesser light" capacities to live up to their potential, there has been an abiding inspiration to less talented people in the concluding statement of the verse: "He made the stars also."

Regarding themselves as the "also" of God's light creation, a great host of people of less-than-large abilities have been thrilled in contemplating that they are as essential to God's plan as are the greater and lesser lights. So many of these "dots of light" have been profoundly inspiring to their day—as inspiring as have been the stars to poets, musicians, and hymn writers through the ages. A whole volume could be written concerning the "Glory of Little People."

Students in an Arkansas high school loved so much a man who was a bus driver and somewhat of a "handyman" during the school day, that they dedicated their school annual to him in a recent spring. He was neither a greater light nor a lesser light: he was, very really, an "also" among the luminaries in the field of education; yet, he lived up to his best and became warmly, deeply loved by all levels of the school family.

Members of a large Louisiana church will never forget Myrtle! She could never hold a position, make a speech, sing a solo, or assume any leadership

responsibility; but, as the members of that church will remember with delight, she was as radiant and constant as the twinkling stars in the firmament. The weather was never too inclement to prevent her being present; her radiance of attention and response thrilled teachers, ministers, and congregation; the completely unselfish giving of herself to Christ and to the church became a silent reproof to many less committed, more talented people. The flowers and testimonials at her funeral revealed something of the vastness of the inspiration which she had brought to so many of the greater and lesser lights of her church and community.

Wiley's faithfulness and optimism in both his newspaper sales and church connection remain as inspiring memories to a large Mississippi city. Lizzella's dispensation of faith, courage, and dedication to ministerial students who worked in the kitchen of a college in which she was the pastry cook strengthened many fine young men for all the years ahead. Lee Battle was but a janitor in a Georgia university; but the radiance of his Christian living touched a whole campus and, upon his death, evoked tributes from many alumni... and led to the placing of a bronze plaque in his memory.

Thank God for the greater and lesser lights who have led us with wisdom and warmth... and for the stars also, who have warmed our hearts with inspiration, reproof, and joy!

(Published by special arrangement with Dr. Swor, 902 Whitworth St., Jackson)

Santo Domingo Sounds

By Sarah Scanlon, Missionary

"Platanero," "Platanero," "Limpiabotas," "Limpiabotas," the cries echo down the street.

I sit on the side of my bed, rub my eyes, and try to wake up. The sun streams through the white-metal, louvered windows. The rubber tree outside swaps in the early breeze.

"Where am I?" I ask myself. "What are all these strange new sounds about me?"

"Billetero," "Billetero," I hear them again. Then the list continues, eggs, bananas, tomatoes, potatoes, and on it goes.

I am awake now, and realize anew that I am in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. Has it been only a few weeks that I have been here, this new city that someday I shall call "home"? Yes, only three days ago, when we moved into our house from a hotel, did I first hear these neighborhood sounds of Santo Domingo.

I am gradually becoming accustomed to the lottery sellers, the plantain vendors, the shoeshine boys, the ice cream wagons, the garbage trucks, the egg boys, the vegetable men, and the swish of the palm leaf brooms as the maids clean the dust from the porches on either side of me.

These sounds tell me it is morning again in Santo Domingo. Tomorrow will be Sunday. What sounds will I hear then? Possibly the same familiar ones on the street. But, at the small Baptist mission I attend what will the sound be like? There they will chat happily in greeting. There they will lift their voices in prayer to God. There they will sing enthusiastically, "Cristo La Unica Esperanza" ("Christ the Only Hope").

Oh, God, help me to find a way to make those sounds of the living Christ, the only hope, ring along with the cries of "Platanero" and "Billetero" through the streets and byways of this city.

1968 Winning Hymns Comprise Collection

NASHVILLE — "Seven Hymns of Concern and Ministry," a collection of prize-winning and honorable mention hymns from the 1968 Southern Baptist hymn writing competition, is now available in general and Baptist Book Stores across the nation.

Published by Broadman Press, the hymn texts were selected by the church music department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, sponsors of the contest.

First-place winner, "Where's the Promise of the City?" by G. Temp Sparkman of Louisville, is set to the tune "Quaere," by Philip M. Young, minister of music at First Baptist Church, Henderson, North Carolina.

Second-place winner, "O Son of Man, Who Walked Man's Way," by William N. McElrath, missionary to Indonesia, is set to the tune "White Oak," by William J. Reynolds, supervisor of music publications, church music department at the Board.

Calendar of Prayer

(This list is not compiled according to birthdays.)

June 9 — Mary Sullivan, faculty, Clarke College; Kathryn Bearden, Baptist student director, Gilroy School of Nursing.

June 10 — Nancy Thrash, staff, Gilroy School of Nursing; J. W. Lee, faculty, Mississippi College.

June 11 — Alice Hollingsworth, staff, Children's Village; J. H. Moore, supt. of missions, Alcorn County.

June 12 — Mrs. Donna Wheeler, staff, Wm. Carey College; Mary E. Crenshaw, faculty, Blue Mountain College.

June 13 — Norman Rodgers, Foy Rogers, Mrs. Ruby Russell, Jerry St. John, Baptist Building employees.

June 14 — Helen G. Holmes, Baptist Book Store; E. F. Hicks, Christian Action Commission.

June 15 — F. K. Horton, Historical Commission; J. C. Renfro, Education Commission.

Illinois Governor Given Special Bible In Crusade

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (BP) — Two Negro and three white ministers, representing the Baptists of Illinois, presented to Illinois Gov. Richard Ogilvie a special edition of the "Good News for Modern Man" New Testament.

The presentation was made by Ralph Hopkins, pastor of the St. Andrews Missionary Baptist Church in Chicago, E. V. Jones, pastor of the 1st Community Baptist Church in Chicago, and James H. Smith, James A. Ponder, and Robert J. Hastings of the Illinois Baptist State Association in Carbondale.

The Bible, bound in red with the governor's name imprinted in gold, was one of 100 provided by the American Bible Society for presentation to key government figures throughout the nation during the Crusade of the Americas.

Ponder and Hopkins explained to the governor the nature of the Crusade.

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N.O. Church Closely Tied To Life And History Of City

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St. Louis, Missouri, to serve as pastor. He declined at first, but upon a renewed invitation the next winter he accepted the call and came in January, 1845. On March 5, 1845, the church was granted a charter.

From its inception, the organized Baptist life in New Orleans has had a continuing existence that has identified itself with the cooperative life of Baptists. Holman, the missionary, and Hinton, the pastor of the First Baptist Church, were sent as delegates to the organizational meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention which met in Augusta, Georgia, May 8, 1845. Dr. Holman served on the committee that wrote the Constitution of the Convention. After leaving New Orleans, Dr. Holman became Secretary of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, then located in Marion, Alabama. He was a brilliant preacher and wise denominational statesman. Dr. Rufus C. Burleson, President of Baylor University, said of him, "Texas owes a monument of gratitude to Rev. Russell Holman, D.D."

During his laborious, vigilant toils while Secretary of the Domestic Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, he selected all the missionaries of the 'old guard' and sent \$29,000 to Texas for their support. He not only sent \$29,000 but exercised a prayerful, careful supervision in selecting suitable missionaries and at the same time he was just to the treasury. I repeat, never till the books are opened on Judgment Day will it be known how much Texas owes to Dr. Russell Holman and I am sure all will rejoice to know more of this great and noble brother, who like Washington, Lee, and all truly great men, was eminent for his modesty and for his worth."

The growing church in New Orleans felt the need of a permanent, fulltime pastor, hence upon the retirement of Dr. Holman in 1844, they secured the capable leadership of Rev. Isaac Taylor Hinton of St. Louis. Hinton was one of the ablest preachers ever to labor in New Orleans. His brief but brilliant ministry (1844-47) marked the most prosperous period which Baptists had experienced in the city.

Membership Grew

The membership grew from 27 to 122 by July, 1847. A number of prominent business and professional men were added to the church member-

ship. In 1846 a new church building was occupied on St. Charles Street between Julia and St. Joseph. The church entered heartily into the life of the denomination. This prosperous season of the church was abruptly closed by the death of Pastor Hinton in August, 1847. He died of Yellow Fever during an epidemic. His death was undoubtedly due to exposure to the disease while visiting stricken members of his church and the community. He preached on Sunday, August 23, on the "Heavenly State" and died the following Saturday. His funeral was conducted in the Baptist Church by the pastor of the First Presbyterian Church.

Following the death of Pastor Hinton, other reverses all but destroyed the church. The epidemic of 1847 and the "gold rush" of the West in 1849 greatly decimated the membership of the church and retarded the work. Added to these difficulties came the disappointment suffered by the church when the will of Cornelius Paulding, the wealthy Baptist and devout friend of the cause who died in 1851, revealed no financial aid for First Church. Discouraged by these adversities and a debt which had grown to more than \$5,000, the church allowed its property to be sold under the sheriff's hammer in 1851. This sale was permitted in the vain hope that the executors of the Paulding estate would make the purchase. However, the property was bought by Judah Touro, a wealthy Jew. This left the church with only \$1,000 in hand and without a church building.

During the dark days from 1847 to 1860, the First Church had six pastors and worshipped from place to place. For over a year the church worshipped in the Carrollton Railroad Depot at the corner of Baronne and Perdido Streets. During part of the time the church rented rooms in a "Bible House" at 163 Camp Street where a Sunday School, prayer meeting, and occasional preaching services were held. A committee, acting in 1859, could locate only 18 members. Pastors, homeless, greatly reduced in membership, disheartened and all but disbanded, the church was unprepared to bear the burden of the Civil War. It is all but miraculous that the war did not destroy the work and bring to an end the result of Baptist labors in the city for half a century.

Foundation Laid

The fact it did not do so demonstrates the truth that a permanent foundation had been laid and that Holman, Hinton, and Paulding had labored better than they realized. Nevertheless, in 1861 the First Church had rallied sufficiently to purchase a building on the corner of Magazine and Second Streets and to report in the fall of that year a membership of 57. Under the wise leadership of a lay pastor, J. C. Carpenter, the church prospered. By tactful management the church became, during Federal occupation, almost the only church where Southern sympathizers could "feel at home and comfortable in their worship." The membership of the church actually grew during the war. When Pastor Carpenter resigned in 1870, the church had received 189 new members. The First Church came out of the war stronger than at its beginning.

Not only was the First Church finding its "place in the sun" by continuing as a permanent organization, but another Baptist church was organized in the city. In 1854 the pastor of the First Church, Rev. W. C. Duncan, resigned to become pastor of the Coliseum Place Baptist Church which was organized July 9, 1854. This new church, benefitting from the estate left by Cornelius Paulding, erected a magnificent house of worship. This house of worship still occupied by Coliseum Place Church, is the oldest Baptist church house in the city. The friendly relationship between the two churches is demonstrated by the fact that while the First Church was without a permanent home, they met for several years in the Coliseum Place building. Nine members of First Church had entered into the organization of Coliseum Place in 1854. The organization of other Baptist churches began to take place. In February, 1864, 18 members of First Church organized the Valence Street Baptist Church. In 1898 St. Charles Avenue Church was organized; in 1904, Grace; and in 1908, Central.

From the date of its organization in 1845, the Southern Baptist Convention had manifested an unusual interest in the promotion of the Baptist cause in the city of New Orleans. The Convention aided the church in the support of its pastor by contributing for several years \$100.00 monthly toward his salary. At its initial meeting

in Augusta, Georgia, in 1845, the Southern Baptist Convention set up three main objects of need in Domestic Missions: giving the Gospel to the American Indians, planning for the religious instruction of our colored population, and to direct "its effective attention to aid the present effort to establish the Baptist cause in the city of New Orleans." While the Home Mission Board had been charged with the total task of preaching the Gospel in all areas of the South where it was not then preached, and in fulfilling its mission, the Convention, through this Board, did address itself to the task of aiding the work in New Orleans. This interest of Southern Baptists in the progress of the Baptist cause in the Crescent City has continued through all these years.

Two Brothers Came

In 1862 two brothers, Rev. John F. and Rev. D. I. Purser came to New Orleans to become pastors of the First and Valence Street Churches respectively. Each was supported jointly by the Louisiana Baptist Convention, the Home Mission Board, and the church. The pastor of the Valence Street Church died a victim of Yellow Fever in 1867, the third and last Baptist pastor to fall at his post of duty during an epidemic. Soon after the arrival of Rev. John F. Purser at the First Church, the Home Mission Board purchased for the use of the church the Garden District Theater on Magazine Street near Washington.

During Dr. Purser's pastorate, the church engaged in several other interesting activities reflecting the solid development of the work and the missionary spirit. In 1894 a Chinese mission was begun with an enrollment of 36. About this time also an "Industrial school" was established and operated for a few years. Meetings were held Saturday afternoons. Moreover, while the Purser brothers were in New Orleans, the local pastors, with the help and leadership of Dr. J. B. Gambrell of Mississippi, conducted in the First Church building a "Pastor's Theological Institute." This school was held for a month during each of the winters of 1894, '95, '96. The local pastors were also assisted by the Louisiana Baptist Convention which encouraged the project as early as 1892. Dr. John F. Purser taught Systematic Theology; his brother, New Testament Interpretation; and Dr. D. G. Whittinghill, then pastor of

Coliseum Place Church, Homilectics.

This effort on behalf of theological education focused the attention of the Convention upon the need for a permanent institution of this kind in the city. Accordingly, the Baptist Bible Institute (now New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary) was organized in 1917 with classes being held at first in the building of Coliseum Place Church. Later, the Convention bought the abandoned property of Sophia Newcomb College on Washington Avenue. The mighty contribution of this institution to Baptist growth in New Orleans and the South Louisiana area has been and continues to be of inestimable value. One illustration proves this point. When the Institute began, there were only six white Baptist churches in the city with a combined membership of 1,242. The investments made by Baptists in the city of New Orleans for 75 years have "paid off."

Edwards Became Pastor

Dr. C. V. Edwards became pastor of the church July 2, 1899. He led in a marvelous expansion program which resulted in the church's moving from the old Garden District Theater on Magazine street to a splendid new building located at St. Charles and Delachaise. Former Governor W. W. Heard was chairman of the Building Committee. This building was occupied on Sunday, October 4, 1908. Dr. Edwards served the church faithfully until 1908.

Dr. J. B. Lawrence was pastor of the church from 1910 to 1912. Dr. Lawrence is the second former pastor of First Church to become Secretary of the Home Mission Board. Dr. Charles T. Alexander was pastor from 1912 to 1914. S. W. Wesley from 1914-1916, and Robert Lee Baker from 1916 to 1918. The Baptist Bible Institute was opened in New Orleans in 1918 and its first President, Dr. Byron H. DeMont, was a faithful member of the First Baptist Church until the time of his death.

On March 2, 1919, Rev. Selsus E. Tull, of Temple, Texas, became pastor and served until June 1920. Rev. Louis Entsminger was pastor from 1920 - 21. He later became President of Southeastern Baptist Institute of the Bible at Jacksonville, Florida.

Dr. Robert G. Lee was pastor of the church from 1922-25. He led in the erection of the two story educational building on Delachaise. He later be-

came pastor of the Bellevue Baptist Church in Memphis, Tennessee, where he built magnificently both in pulpit and building for more than thirty years.

Dr. John A. Huff brought warm dignity, intelligent and strong leadership to the church during the drought times, during the country's severest depression. He served from 1926 to 1937. Because of his leadership the church was kept steadfast financially and property was purchased for expansion. Dr. Huff left New Orleans to become pastor of First Church, Chattanooga, Tennessee, where he remained even after his retirement. He died December 12, 1968.

Dr. J. D. Grey, the twenty-fourth and present pastor of the church, came to it from the First Baptist Church, Denton, Texas, May 1, 1937. He led the church in its centennial celebration in 1943 by paying off its entire building indebtedness eight years ahead of schedule and that year established a "centennial building fund." With this beginning the church erected its present edifice at 4301 St. Charles Avenue and held its first services in it December 19, 1954. In 1965 the church entered a new four-story Activities Building. Today the church has property and buildings with the total value of over three million dollars with a comparatively small indebtedness against it, which is being paid out ahead of schedule.

Two pastors of the church have served as Secretary of the Home Mission Board, Dr. Russell Holman, the first secretary, and Dr. J. B. Lawrence. Two of its pastors have served as President of the Southern Baptist Convention, Dr. Robert G. Lee and Dr. J. D. Grey. The church today has 4,000 members and last year had contributions totaling \$518,000.00.

The pastor had just come to the church when the Southern Baptist Convention met in New Orleans in 1937. This year, in commemorating his 32nd Anniversary with the church, he is serving as Chairman of the General Arrangements Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention which returns to New Orleans after 32 years' absence.

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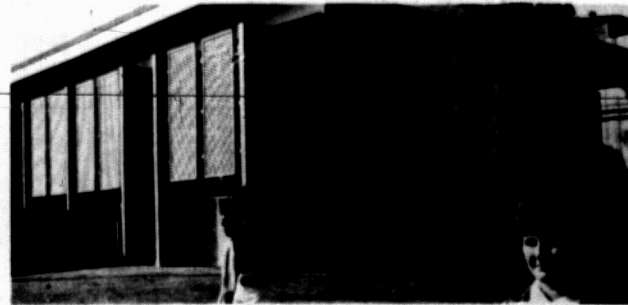
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New Orleans - A Home Mission Base

New Orleans, and surrounding area, offers Southern Baptists an outstanding opportunity to see "missions at work." ... to establish the Baptist cause in the city of New Orleans," the infant Home Mission Board sent some of its first missionaries to work in the Crescent City. Through the years, New Orleans has served as a base for many of the Home Board's pilot mission programs. Dr. J. D. Grey, pastor of the First Baptist Church, New Orleans, said, "I attribute the tremendous growth from 27 to 38 churches in the ten-year period, 1937-1948, to the beginning of the Home Mission Board's City Mission Program. Three Baptist centers, Rachel Sims Memorial Mission, Carver Baptist Center, and Friendship House; two rescue missions, The Good Samaritan Home for women, and the Baptist Rescue Mission for men; Sellers Home for Unwed Mothers and Adoption Center; Weekday Ministry at Coliseum Place Baptist Church; Spanish Missions at Gentilly Baptist Church and Franklin Avenue Baptist Church; National Baptists, a children's worker and part-time chaplain, are witnessing for Christ and Southern Baptists in New Orleans. The New Orleans Baptist Seamen's Service distributes Bibles and Scripture portions provided by the Home Mission Board to seamen from other countries whose ships dock at the port

of New Orleans. The Home Mission Board provides Bibles and Scripture portions to the Seamen's Service at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, which is sponsored by the Judson Baptist Association. Baton Rouge is the seventh most active seaport in the United States. The Home Mission Board, Judson Baptist Association, and

First Baptist Church support the work of the Spanish Department of the First Baptist Church of Baton Rouge. Baptist work in the New Orleans area has been made possible by your support. While attending the Southern Baptist Convention - see your mission work! (Photos courtesy Home Mission Board)



Myrtis Capps, acting director of the Good Samaritan Home for women, in front of the home.



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Nell Booker, missionary at Baptist Friendship House, teaching a kindergarten child. Friendship House ministers to people in a fifteen-block area near the Mississippi River and the French Quarter.



Mrs. Allegra LaPrairie, director of the Sellers Home and Adoption Center, and Mrs. Betty Gant, supervisor of nursery, holding one of the babies. The home helps unwed mothers to rebuild their lives so they can return to their communities and live meaningful Christian lives.



Charles Smothers, seminary student, leads a group of boys at Carver Center, which ministers to the Negro community in the Irish Channel section near the Mississippi River.



Dylon F. de Abreu, pastor of the Spanish Mission, Franklin Avenue Baptist Church, preaching to his Spanish-speaking congregation.



WEEKDAY MINISTRIES abound in New Orleans churches and mission centers, such as this handcraft class directed by Miss Edna Keller (standing right) at Coliseum Place Baptist Church. (BP)

Names In The News



The top honors of Gilfoy School of Nursing, Mississippi Baptist Hospital, were announced with the release of the school publication — "The Chart — 1968." Donna Stuart, left, senior from Morton, was selected by the student body as the person best exemplifying Miss Gilfoy School of Nursing. She is past president of the Student Organization, All - Star basketball guard, and BSU Council member. She was also voted Most Versatile. Chosen by the School of Nursing faculty, Nita Bennett, right, was elected to the Hall of Fame. This selection is based upon character, leadership, and clinical and scholastic achievement. Miss Bennett is a senior from Jackson. She is a member of the campus BSU. She is state first Vice-President for Mississippi Association of Student Nurses and a section officer of MASN. In 1968, she was judged first alternate, Miss Student Nurse of Mississippi.

Mrs. James Hahn has resigned as church secretary of the Easthaven Baptist Church in Brookhaven, effective July 1. Mrs. Hahn has served the church as secretary for seven and a half years. She began her work there under Rev. Robert E. Wall and also worked during the time Dr. W. Edward Thiele was pastor. Rev. Charles Dampier is the present pastor. Mrs. Hahn is a native of Ripley. She will be enrolling in the fall at Whitworth College where she plans to finish her degree in elementary education. Mrs. Kenneth Sartin will be the new church secretary. She is a native of Brookhaven and is the daughter of Roy Smith of Brookhaven.

Japan Sees "The Inheritance"

The Old Testament Period, an abbreviated, 30-minute version of *The Inheritance*, a film produced jointly by the Radio and Television Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention and the National Broadcasting Company, was televised by the Japan Broadcasting Corporation on Sunday morning, May 4.

The Japan Times, a morning newspaper published in Tokyo, carried a story and photo about the film on its Friday religion page, April 16.

Mrs. Mable Atkinson Blount, food service supervisor at Mississippi Baptist Hospital in Jackson, has completed a one-year American Dietetic Association correspondence course for training food service supervisors. Mrs. Blount is a native of Philadelphia, Miss. This is the second course offered in Mississippi. The course is sponsored jointly by the Mississippi Hospital Association, Mississippi Dietetic Association, Mississippi Nursing Home Association, and the State Board of Health.

Rev. and Mrs. Harry J. Harper Jr., missionary appointees to Columbia, have completed orientation at Ridgecrest (N.C.) Baptist Assembly and gone to Costa Rica for initial language study (address: Apartado 2240, San Jose, Costa Rica). Born in Baltimore, Md., Mr. Harper lived in West Virginia, Oklahoma, and Ohio while growing up. Mrs. Harper is the former Donna Compton, of Mason, Ohio. He was pastor of Bethel Baptist Church, Liberty, Miss., when they were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in December, 1968.

Woodville Heights Church recently named Herman Edward Perrett to the gospel ministry. A native of Hazlehurst, he is the son of Mrs. Ed Perrett of Hazlehurst and the late Mr. Perrett. He was ordained as a deacon by the Woodville Heights Church in 1968. He is presently available for supply preaching. His plans include entering Mississippi College this fall. He is married to the former Wanda Gald of Jackson, and they have three children: Perry, Kathleen, and Michelle.

Jenny Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Taylor, is the recipient of the Eastern Star Training Award for Religious Learning (ESTARL) given by the Eastern Star, at Olive Branch. Mr. Taylor graduated from Olive Branch High School this month, and plans to enroll at Northwest Junior College this fall. Mr. Taylor has surrendered his life for full-time ministry, "to preach the gospel as it is to men as they are." Available for supply pastorate or for revivals, he is a member of Meadow Brook Mission, DeSoto County, (Rev. Alvin Kitchen, pastor.) Mr. Taylor may be addressed at Rt. 1, Box 140, Byhalia, Miss. 3611 (phone 638-2487).

Rev. Jim Watkins (pictured) and Mrs. Watkins has arrived in Sardis, where he will serve as associate pastor and director of youth activities for the summer with the Sardis Church. Native Kentuckians, both are graduates of Western Kentucky University. He has just completed his first year at Southwestern Seminary. The couple were in Sardis during the summer of 1968 under appointment of the Home Mission Board, as resort missionaries at Sardis Lake. They worked with Patola Association in establishing regular worship services at the lake during the summer. He will again direct the work at Sardis Lake this summer, along with his work as associate to the Sardis pastor, Rev. Charles M. Conley.

Philadelphia Homecoming Philadelphia Church, Lincoln County, Route 1, Wesson, Rev. Doyle Cummings, pastor, will observe an annual homecoming service Sunday, June 8.

Rev. James E. Drane will bring the 11 a.m. address, followed by dinner on the ground at 12:15 and singing and fellowship in the afternoon.

Mr. and Miss William Carey College for 1969 are Sandy Castleberry and Donnie Parker, who are featured in the *Crusader*, the 1969 annual. Sandy is the daughter of Colonel and Mrs. M. H. Castleberry, now stationed in Turkey. Donnie is the son of the Rev. and Mrs. James E. Parker of Long Beach. Both have been chosen on the basis of achievement, leadership, character, and general embodiment of the spirit of William Carey College.

Dr. John F. Busey has been appointed Director of Medical Education at Baptist Hospital, Jackson, effective June 1, announces Paul J. Pryor, hospital administrator. Dr. Busey comes to Baptist Hospital from the Veterans Administration Hospital in Jackson where he has served as chief of medical services since 1950. Prior to that, Dr. Busey was chief of professional services in

the Veterans Administration Hospital medicine at Emory University.



Interested in natural science, physical science, and analytical chemistry, these newly elected officers of the Science Club of Blue Mountain College are shown observing some of the chemicals and materials which they recently saw put to use in Huntsville, Ala., where they visited the Testing Laboratory for launching rockets and missiles. Left to right: Peggy Taylor of Jonesboro, Ark., freshman, secretary-treasurer; Virginia Myatt of Amory, junior, president; and Sue Laster, Pontotoc, junior, vice-president. James L. Flatt, head of the Natural Science Department of the college, is sponsor of the Science Club.

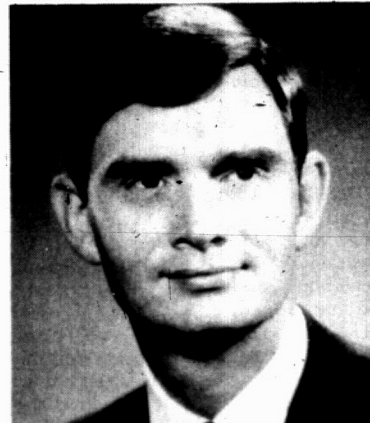
John W. Moon, pastor of First Church, Tuskegee, Alabama, for the past eight years, was recently elected as the new state annuity secretary in Alabama.

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The Young People's Workshop will be conducted by Gene Wright, Consultant in Young People's Work with the Training Union Department of the Baptist General Conference, and Kenneth Miller, Director of Young People's Work with the Mississippi Training Union Department, will assist in this workshop.

Reservations are available from Gulfshore Baptist Assembly, Pass Christian, Mississippi. Each reservation request should include a \$2.00 reservation fee.

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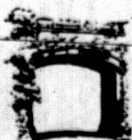
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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

THE INTERNATIONAL LESSON
The Unity of the Bible

LIFE AND WORK CURRICULUM
The Source Of Our Love

By Clifton J. Allen

Genesis 12:1-7; Deuteronomy 26:5-9;
Joshua 24:2-8; Luke 24:25-27;
Acts 13:16-33

From one standpoint, the Bible is not many books, but one. That is, the sixty-six so-called books blend together into one. The unity of the Bible is one of the clearest proofs of its divine origin and inspired character. There are many parts, produced by many writers, treating many subjects; but there is a controlling purpose holding the parts together and fusing them into a unified message. Let us be reminded that the several Bible passages chosen for background study lift up elements which contribute to and interpret the unity of the Bible. We are to keep this value chiefly in mind rather than a specific instruction about Christian living.



The Lesson Explained

A Redeemed People (Deut. 26:5-9)

This passage from Deuteronomy, from one of Moses' addresses to the Israelites prior to their entering the Promised Land, is a summary of God's mighty acts of mercy and judgment toward Jacob and his offspring in delivering them from bondage in Egypt and causing them to be established in the land of Canaan. Israel began as "no people," that is, as small and unknown; but God made of Israel a great nation, a covenant nation, designed to be a kingdom of priests. This is the theme repeated over and over: it runs through the Old Testament. God revealed himself as the personal, living, covenant-keeping Lord, who redeemed and preserved his people, and who designed to accomplish through them his purpose of redemption reaching out to all the peoples of the earth. When writers centuries after the deliverance from Egypt sought to interpret Israel's history and mission to herself, they wrote the story of what God had done in long-suffering mercy, in righteous judgment, and in overruling sovereignty to accomplish redemption for a fallen race. This is the unity of the Old Testament.

The Promised Saviour (Acts 13:17,23)

As the apostle Paul began his sermon in Antioch, on his first missionary tour, he reviewed God's acts of self-revelation and redemptive purpose in dealing with the people of Israel, culminating in his raising up of the seed of David "a Saviour, Jesus." The Old Testament pointed to this. The New Testament declared the fulfillment of the promise in the supreme revelation event of the incarnation, the life and death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. The Old Testament spoke of the coming of the Son of David, who would reign on the throne of Israel forever. This of course pointed to a spiritual kingdom. Of his reign it was said, "Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end." The Old Testament told also of the Suffering Servant, who would become the sacrifice to make atonement for the sins of the world and to be a light to the Gentiles and the means of salvation unto the end of the earth. The New Testament is the sequel to the Old Testament. Its unity is the fulfillment—the demonstration, interpretation, and proclamation—of the Old Testament expectation.

The Risen Lord (Luke 24:25-27)

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the entire New Testament was written in the light of the resurrection of Christ. The Gospels that reported the events of his earthly ministry were written long years after his triumph over sin and death. The book of Acts, the Epistles, and the Revelation were written to interpret Christ's saving work, to give direction to the church in living its life and fulfilling its mission in the world, and to give assurance of the return of the Lord and of the victory of his kingdom. We have in the New Testament, therefore, the heart and climax of the unity of the Bible. The Bible is about God in Christ reconciling the world unto himself. Jesus rebuked the two disciples on the way to Emmaus for their slowness to believe. He interpreted to them the things Moses and the prophets had spoken about him.

Truths to Live By

The Bible must be seen as a whole. —God ordained that it should be one book. Therefore, its many parts, are to be understood in the light of its unity. Some parts of the Bible, particularly part of the Old Testament, had primarily a temporary application; they reflected the human situation of man's immaturity and weakness and perversity, and even man's misunderstanding of God. But these parts of the Bible fitted into the overall purpose of God in revealing himself and his righteous will for all man. We are not to expect all parts of the Bible to be on the same level of importance or value. Some parts are details of information, whereas other parts are sublime interpretations of the nature of God and of man's potential in doing the will of God. The Bible, seen as a whole, declares the whole counsel of God about life.

The Bible has unity in the purpose of God. — This is one way to gather together the history of Israel, the life and death and resurrection of Christ, the nature and mission of the church, and the activity of the Holy Spirit in the lives of the people of God. All this points to God's purpose to sum up all things in Christ, the things in heaven and the things on earth (Eph. 1:10). The Bible is the one authoritative source for an authentic affirmation that God will finally cause all things and all people to be unto the praise of his glory.

Therefore, the Bible gives us assurance that the world broken and divided and corrupted by sin, will ultimately come to unity and fullness of life in Christ.

The meaning of the Scriptures is found in the living Word. — God's full and perfect revelation came in the Son, the Word become flesh. As Christ said to the disciples after his resurrection, the Law and the Prophets and the Writings had spoken of him. The Gospels, the Acts, the Epistles, and the Revelation all tell of him. And the meaning of their promises, their warnings, their teachings, and their exhortations is found in Jesus Christ, Son of God, Saviour of the world.

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1 John: 4

By Bill Duncan

There are many people who teach their children, "you love God, and God will love you." This is a false teaching, it is getting the cart before the horse. Love begins with God loving us. He loved us when we did not love him. His love causes us to love Him, then He creates love in our heart. Many people have been touched by the story of Jesus' death. When they realized that Jesus died for them, their hearts received the love of God.

The first great lesson of life about love is that it is of God, that is, it is of divine origin, begotten of God. Every particle of real love that there is in the world came from God. R. A. Torrey said, when you find real love, you have found a divine thing. Therefore the argument for brotherly love is taken from God's eternal nature. "Beloved let us love." The first reason why Christians should love each other is stated twice; first for love is of God and for God is love. Because God is the source and origin of love and all true love derives from Him, it stands to reason that every one that loveth, that is, loves either God or man with selfless devotion which alone is true love has been born of God and knoweth God. The words God's love means that loving is only one of God's many activities but rather that all His activity is loving activity. Even His justice is in love. Therefore for the person who has been born again, love is as much a sign of new birth as is righteousness. (2:29)

While the origin of love is in the being of God, the manifestation of love is in the coming of Christ. This event is the concrete fact that He loved us so as to send His only begotten Son into the world for us. Love is truly self-sacrifice—the seeking of another's positive good at one's own cost. There has never been or could be a greater self-giving than God's gift of His Son. The greatness of God's love is seen in its beneficiaries, for God gave His Son to die for us undeserving sinners. The way of sin which deserved the holy wrath and judgement of God. Jesus came that we might live through Him and that He might be the propitiation for our sins.

God's love has not stopped for He has a continuous activity of love. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us and His love is perfected in us. God who is unseen and once revealed in His Son is now revealed in His people if and when they love one another. God's love is seen in their love because their love is His love imparted to them by His Spirit. Our love for one another is an evidence of God's indwelling presence. The na-

tural man can neither believe nor love. It is only by the growth of the Holy Spirit that man ever comes to believe in Christ and to love others. Belief and love are not the conditions of the indwelling, but the tests, and evidence of it. It is one thing to know that God is love and another to learn to love and to abide in love ourselves. It is the divine indwelling which alone makes possible its fruit, belief, and love.

Moreover, John declares that if we love each other, God dwells in us and His love has been perfected in us. The writer is not suggesting that any Christian's love could be in this life flawless perfect, but rather developed and mature. In the day of the Lord's return, the believer will have confidence when there will be shame for the wicked. The love that spells confidence banishes fear. We can love God and reverence God simultaneously, but we cannot approach Him in love and hide in fear at the same time. Love for God does not only express itself in a confident attitude toward Him, devoid of fear but in a loving concern for our fellow Christians. The perfect love that cast out fear also cast out our hatred. To claim to love God while hating the brethren is to lie. The folly of the liar position is seen not only in its inherent inconsistency, but in the fact that love for God and our brother form one single commandment. Jesus' united Deut. 6:4 and Lev. 19:18 into one.

Guy King has said that the Christian

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Montana Missionaries From Clarke

EIGHT CLARKE COLLEGE STUDENTS will work as missionaries in Montana this summer, responding to a request made by Rev. Leroy Smith, area missionary in Montana. Front row: (left to right) Sue Jones, Andalusia, Ala.; Sally Mahaffey, Harrisville; Connie Skelton, Moundville, Ala.; and Bobbie Coley, Belle Chase, La. Back row: (left to right) Sharon Watson, Pensacola, Fla.; Marilyn Allen, Magnolia; Linda Ballard, Batesville; and Jan Tate, Mt. Hermon, La.

has a spiritual position in the fellowship. In love He calls it the Love House—an exquisitely delightful residence, double-fronted—love to God and love to others. Long lease—even for eternity. Every modern convenience—for love never faileth. Safe from disturbance—for perfect love casteth out fear.

The life in love lays upon us the obligation to reproduce in our measure the pattern of love that is set before us—not to do what He did but to do as He did. It is no use saying the copy is too remote and the task too difficult, for God never commanded His children to do the impossible.

Friendship (Lincoln) Sets Homecoming

Friendship church of Lincoln county will observe its annual homecoming Sunday June 8.

Rev. Truett Smith pastor of Gladview church, Miami, Florida will be the guest speaker for the day.

There will be a morning and afternoon service with lunch served at the noon hour. Mr. Smith is a former resident of the Friendship community, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer F. Smith.

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Devotional

Tips On Traveling

By Farrell Blankenship
Minister of Education
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"Go in through the narrow gate, for wide and easy is the road that leads to hell, and there are many who travel it. The gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and few people find it." (Matthew 7:13-14 N.T. T.E.V.)

The Bible has a lot to say about the way, or "road" to take. Its message applies just as well today as it did then. But our lives as well as the traffic situation leaves us a lot like the cartoon in a paper, of a fellow on a turnpike at one of these "clover leaves." You see the signs, one reading Route 70 with an arrow, one reading to Business District, one to 17 North, one to Route 82, one to 17 South, and one exit with a sign reading "confused," and the fellow was taking that exit.

Our world is confused today. Jesus Christ is still trying to get us going in the right direction. Direction makes a lot of difference in many things. In the little book by Mason entitled *Now Then*, there is a story that happened in the 1929 Rose Bowl Football Game. This game pitted University of California against Georgia Tech. The second quarter was underway and neither team had been able to score. Suddenly Roy Reigels of California got the ball. The coaches jumped to their feet. Seventy thousand fans jumped to their feet. Reigels ran and ran, the crowd roared and roared. Reigels was finally brought down on the one-foot line. But there was no joy in Berkeley—for Reigels had run the wrong way.

Mason goes on to say, "There is no doubt that he had run well. There is no doubt that he had run fast. Neither was there any doubt that he had run in the wrong direction. In a football game that can make all the difference. The seventy thousand fans had a first-hand demonstration of a universal truth. It is more important to keep your eye on the right goal than to run fast and well. All else being equal, ability makes the difference. But if your direction in life is wrong, all else can hinder more than it can help."

So in our Christian lives we need to get going in the right direction. We do this by following Jesus Christ. As followers of His on the road of life, we must be a guide for others to find the right road. However, we must be more than signposts. We must be guides. The difference in a signpost and a guide is: a signpost just stands there and points the way—"Jackson, 90 miles," whereas a guide takes you by the hand and leads you there.

May the Lord give us more "guides" in our churches.

Seminar On Lung

Diseases Set June

6 at Hospital

Mississippi Chapter of the American Association for Inhalation Therapy in cooperation with Mississippi Baptist Hospital is sponsoring a seminar on "The Diagnosis and Treatment of Chronic Lung Diseases" June 6 at the Gilfoy School of Nursing at Mississippi Baptist Hospital.

The guest speaker will be Dr. Edwin R. Levine, nationally known figure in the field of inhalation therapy and presently the medical director of the Department of Inhalation Ther-

apy, Edgewater Hospital, in Chicago.

All medical and paramedical persons working in the field of inhalation therapy are invited to attend.

Bob Wall, ARIT, chairman of the education committee of the Mississippi Chapter of the American Association for Inhalation Therapy is coordinating the event. Wall is an instructor in the state's only School of Inhalation Therapy at Mississippi Baptist Hospital.

The first building ever put up strictly as a hotel—not as a home or a monastery—was the City Hotel built in New York in 1794. It led the industry until Boston built the Tremont House in 1829, where rooms had locks on the doors, water pitchers, hand basins, and as a final blow for luxury—free soap!

Clergy Economic Workshop Is Held Near Canton May 26-29

A Clergy Economic Education Workshop was held at the Duncan M. Gray Conference Center near Canton May 26-29. The conference was led by co-directors, Dean Joseph Greene, Jr. and Dr. Kenneth Grubbs of the University of Southern Mississippi.

Among the other lecturers were Dr. Richard Leftwich, Oklahoma State University; Allan Thurman, University of Tennessee; Dr. Jack Wimberly, University of Southern Mississippi; J. R. Peterson, Mississippi Research and Development Center, Jackson; Dr. Gray Miley, Mississippi College; Dr. J. Anderson Davis, Mississippi State University; Thomas E. Cranford, First National Bank, Hattiesburg; and Dr. Ray Marshall, University of Kentucky.

Among the participants were Dr. J. Clark Hensley, executive director of the Christian Action Commission, Mississippi Baptist Convention; Rev. Van C. Windham, pastor of Thirty Eighth Avenue Baptist Church, Hattiesburg; Rev. Bobby Shands, pastor of the Nineteenth Avenue Baptist Church, Hattiesburg.

The objective of the sponsoring groups is to bring a factual and comprehensive analysis of the American economic system to clergymen to all faiths. The rationale of the conference could be stated: "Since clergymen

are often called upon to interpret economic issues, as both leaders and counselors, to do this satisfactorily, they need to understand economic processes.

"They should learn the fundamentals of analyzing and interpreting economic issues. Knowledge gained by the clergy has a multiplier effect in that they share what they have learned with others by the performance of their pastoral duties."

All areas of the American economic structure were included in the program, including agriculture, business and labor.

East Central Honors Student Director

The highlight event of East Central Junior College's annual WO-HE-LO was the disclosure of the faculty member to whom the book is dedicated. This year Miss Gladys Bryant, BSU Director, and Rev. John Lambert Neil, Wesley Director, were the honored professors.

The dedication read as follows: "There are those that teach by standing at the podium of a classroom and giving information. They have their task and often it is done well. But there are also those who teach, not by standing before a podium, but by walking among men—a lesson in living every day. Two of these are our very own—Miss Gladys Bryant and Rev. John Lambert Neil, friends of the school but most of all friends of the students.

"Mr. Neil's indefatigable spirit is the inspiration of youth and the envy of adults. But his interest and concern for our students is immeasurable. He guides, aids and inspires not only the Wesleys, but all groups who observe his untiring efforts to be of service, pointing toward God and a meaningful life.

"Miss Bryant, not here so long as Mr. Neil, but here for the second term of service, also inspires students to learn that becoming educated is developing the whole man; physically, mentally, and spiritually. Because she long ago learned to follow the gleam, she seeks to show others the way to a full life lived in God's plan.

"Because of their outstanding service and contribution to East Central Junior college, the annual staff humbly dedicates this the 1969 WO-HE-LO to Miss Gladys Bryant, Student Sec-

Joins Southside Staff

Southside Church, Jackson, has called Miss Clarice Mooney as education - activities director effective June 1.

A native of Meridian, Miss Mooney is a graduate of East Texas Baptist College, Marshall, Texas. She received her M. R. E. at Southwestern Seminary and M. E. from Mississippi College.

For the past six years she has served in a similar position at the McLaurin Heights Church, Jackson. She had previously served in Crestwood Church, Jackson; First Church, Greenwood; Pontotoc, and First Church, Pascagoula. Miss Mooney is also assistant registrar at Mississippi College.

Rev. S. W. Valentine, pastor, announces that Miss Mooney will be honored at a reception on Sunday evening, June 1, to be given following the evening service.



Brookhaven Mission Calls Pastor

Rev. Millard Mackey has been called as pastor of the Hamilton Street Mission and parttime Youth Director of the East-haven Baptist Church in Brookhaven.

Rev. and Mrs. Mackey will be living in Brookhaven during the summer months on N. Church St. Mr. Mackey is a second year student at New Or-

leans Baptist Seminary and his wife teaches in the public school system in New Orleans.

Rev. Charles Damper is the pastor of Easthaven Church.



READY TO GO

Joe Holcomb and Frank Cayson are ready for the summer with their tent and all that goes with it. They have eight revivals scheduled as of now.

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For our revival schedule please call or write.

Both Holcomb and Cayson are pastors and students at Clarke College, Newton.

Anthony Resigns As Pastor Of Bethany

Rev. L. C. Anthony, pastor of Bethany Church, Prentiss, Jefferson Davis County, has accepted the pastorate of West Chickasaw Church, Mobile, Alabama. He and Mrs. Anthony, with their children, Dianne, Renee, Beth Anne and Derrick, moved to Alabama on May 27.

Mr. Anthony has been pastor of Bethany Church since September, 1965. This has been a time of progress for the church. There have been 147 additions. The rotation system for deacons has been reestablished; an audio-visual program has been adopted; the use of bulletins was established.

A new annex has been added. The original building, between the two newer structures, has been brick-venered, and the interior renovated. The land around the church was cleared, and in June 1967 the new annex was dedicated and named "The Clara Burkett Building" in appreciation of the generous contributions made to the church by Mrs. Percy (Tip Burkett) Rankin.

A new brick, glass - enclosed sign has been erected. Seventy-five new hymnals have been purchased.

The sanctuary and educational building have been insulated and a central heating and cooling system installed. Cushions have been placed on the pews, and the pulpit area and center aisle carpeted. A new Baldwin piano has been added to the sanctuary.

A church library has been started, and choir robes purchased.

Mr. Anthony has led the church to begin preparations for observance of her 150th anniversary in September.

The pastorium has been made more comfortable by addition of a central heating and cooling system.

Many of these improvements have been made possible through donations from friends and members, and by donations of labor by members and the pastor himself.

Mr. Anthony has been active in associational work, having served as moderator, and as president of the Ministerial Association. He was in charge of scheduling radio devotionals for two years.

A farewell-covered-dish supper for the Anthonys was given at the church Friday, May 23, at 7 P.M.

The telephone made its initial public appearance in hotels. Many people dropped their telephones in alarm, when they heard a voice coming out of them; and raced out of the room!



Union Church, (Smith), Dedicates Sanctuary

This new sanctuary, pictured, was dedicated to the service of the Lord by the congregation of the Union Baptist Church, Smith Association, on Sunday, May 25 at 2:00 P.M.

The dedicatory sermon was given by Rev. John G. Brock, pastor of the Oakland Heights Baptist Church, Meridian. Others taking part in the service were Rev. R. O. Bankston, a char-

ter member, Rev. Eddie Bryant, and Rev. Ben Carlisle, who were both licensed by the church.

The youth choir and girls' quartet furnished the special music. Those who served on the building committee were Wendell Kennedy, chairman; R. W. Ashley, Mrs. H. B. Ashley, Mrs. A. C. Blakeney, and Mrs. H. K. Bryant. Rev. Billy R. Ballard is pastor.

MasterControl To Salute The Flag

A patriotic treat is in store for "MasterControl" listeners on the June 8 program, which will be a National Flag Week special saluting the flag of the United States.

Instead of the regular theme at the beginning of the program, children's voices will be heard explaining what the flag means to them. Comedian Red Skelton will appear later in the program with a statement of tribute to the Stars and Stripes, and Mary Lou Kieswetter, recently named Indiana's "Flag Lady" because of her work in promoting respect for the flag, will be interviewed by telephone from her hometown of Munster, Indiana.

One of the most interesting features of the program will be "MasterControl" testing of both adults and youngsters on their ability to recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

The spiritual vignette, given by Dr. Kenneth Chafin, will be titled "A Christian Looks at Law and Order."

The Radio - Television Commission is requesting that the 520 "MasterControl" stations carry the Flag Week special between June 6 and June 12 or hold it for Flag Day, June 14. They urge that listeners check their "MasterControl" station logs for correct local broadcast time.



Glendale (Lebanon) 23rd In Per Capita Cooperative Program Giving

The Glendale Baptist Church in Lebanon Association was twenty-third in the state in world-mission giving through the Cooperative Program in 1967-1968. Rev. D. W. Rouse has been the pastor for five years and has placed emphasis on tithing, stewardship and missions in his pulpit ministry.

The Forward Program is used in the church and Cooperative Program Day is observed. They now give 20% of their budgeted means to the Cooperative Program.

Brother Rouse suffered a severe heart attack on March 6, 1969 and has been out of the pulpit since that time. Rev. Malcolm C. Lambert is serving Glendale as Interim Pastor until Brother Rouse is able to resume his duties. Brother Rouse is shown in the picture.

Pitt Named To SBC Stewardship Post

NASHVILLE (BP) — William H. Pitt Sr., Stewardship secretary of the Tennessee Baptist Convention for the past nine years, has been named director of the endowment and capital giving service of the Southern Baptist Convention Stewardship Commission.

Lorena Church Agrees With Criswell

Lorena Church, Smith County, has declared by resolution that "we believe and stand for Dr. W. A. Criswell and his teachings and writings of the Holy Scriptures. We denounce that unjust criticisms against him and his latest book, *Why I Preach the Bible is Literally True*."

"We resolve that our church, the Lorena Baptist Church, go on record expressing our appreciation for Dr. Criswell's ministry and for his conservative stand for the word of God. We feel the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention should be commended for the promotion of this book. The liberal professors who condemn this book and have defected from the Faith should be rebuked."

Rev. C. M. Grayson is pastor.

retary of the BSU and the Rev. John Lambert Neil, Director of Wesley—OUR FRIENDS IN THE MINISTRY.

Making the presentation on behalf of the WO-HE-LO staff were the co-editor Dianne Freeny and Wanda May.

Mississippian Serves As Pastor On Guam

Chaplain Wallace H. Whatley, former Mississippian, now stationed at Naval Air Force Base, Alameda, California, served as interim pastor of Marianas Church on Guam in the Marianas Islands.

Chaplain Whatley, native of Pascagoula, and former pastor of Oloh Church, Lamar County, and Carmel Church, Lawrence County, is a graduate of William Carey College and New Orleans Seminary. Mrs. Whatley is the former Nell Lott of Sumrall.

Organized in 1963, the Marianas Church was organized into Second Baptist Church in 1965 under direction of Southern Baptist missionary, Louis McCall. In 1966, while waiting for the FMB to appoint another missionary couple, the church asked CDR Wallace H. Whatley, Chaplain, U. S. Navy, to serve as interim pastor. Chaplain Whatley, was then stationed aboard the USS PROTEUS (AS-19) homeported in Guam.

Under the leadership of Chaplain and Mrs. Whatley, Marianas Church completely renovated the auditorium and contributed much to local missionary seal among Guamiens and military families on Guam.

The Whatleys donated to the church the first permanent set of church furniture.

the Macedonia Baptist Church of Brookhaven. He is a graduate of Mississippi College and the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. He is married to the former Mary

Called To Lawn Haven

Rev. Julian R. Boutwell has accepted the pastorate of Lawn Haven Church, Laurel, Jones County.

He moved from Mobile, Alabama where he pastored the Indian Springs Church for six years. He is a native of Jones County; a graduate of Clarke College and William Carey College.

He was licensed and ordained by Calvary Church, Pascagoula. His former pastorates in Mississippi include Corinth, Picayune; Holly Springs, Foxworth; Friendship, Columbus; and Mashulaville, Macon.

During the six years at Indian Springs Church, a new, brick-venered pastorium was built. Seven acres of land were purchased upon which a new church building was constructed. There were 314 additions, 202 for baptism. Cooperative Program gifts increased from \$600 annually to \$1800; other mission gifts from \$500 to \$1500.

Mr. Boutwell and family are residing in the church pastorium on Highway 84 East, Route 6, Laurel 39440. (Telephone 428-8940.)

Katherine Burney of Flowood, and they have three children. The family will reside at 1412 Riviere Avenue in Metairie.



Students In Carey's First Freshmen Honors Program

TWENTY FIVE William Carey College students have completed a successful year in Carey's first freshmen honors program. Posing above in the parlor of the president's home are the 25 students, each of whom ranked in the top 10% of the nation or in the top 5% of their high school graduating class. Shown from left to right first row: Charles Gambrell, Keith Cooper, Joyce Yeatman, Joy

Oehler, John Collins, and Ladoq Lloyd. Second row: Betty Jean Crocker, Cheryl Parker, Erma Sue Weiday, Miriam Moss, Sandra Glass, Sherry McClendon, Wanda Willson, Sandra Meadows, Pam Blakeney, and Theresa Hyatt. Third row (standing): David Yeager, Betty Sue Boothe, David Matthews, David Lee, Cathy Anderson, Mike Harris, Bill Breland, Frances Gruchy, and Pat Garner.